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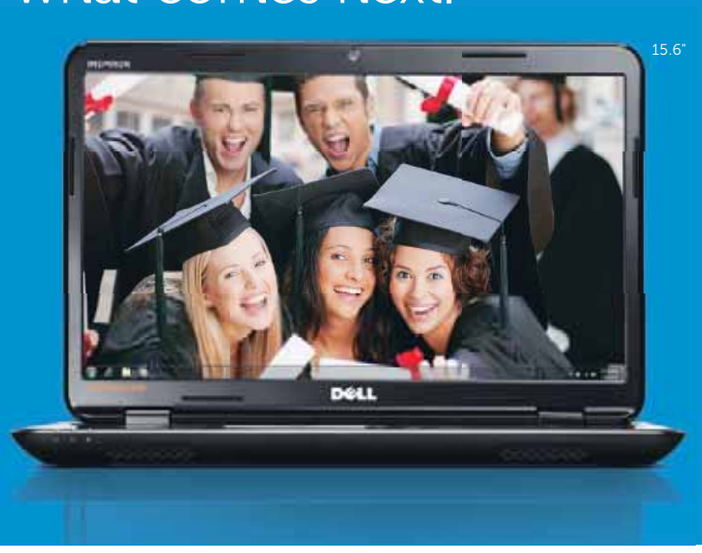

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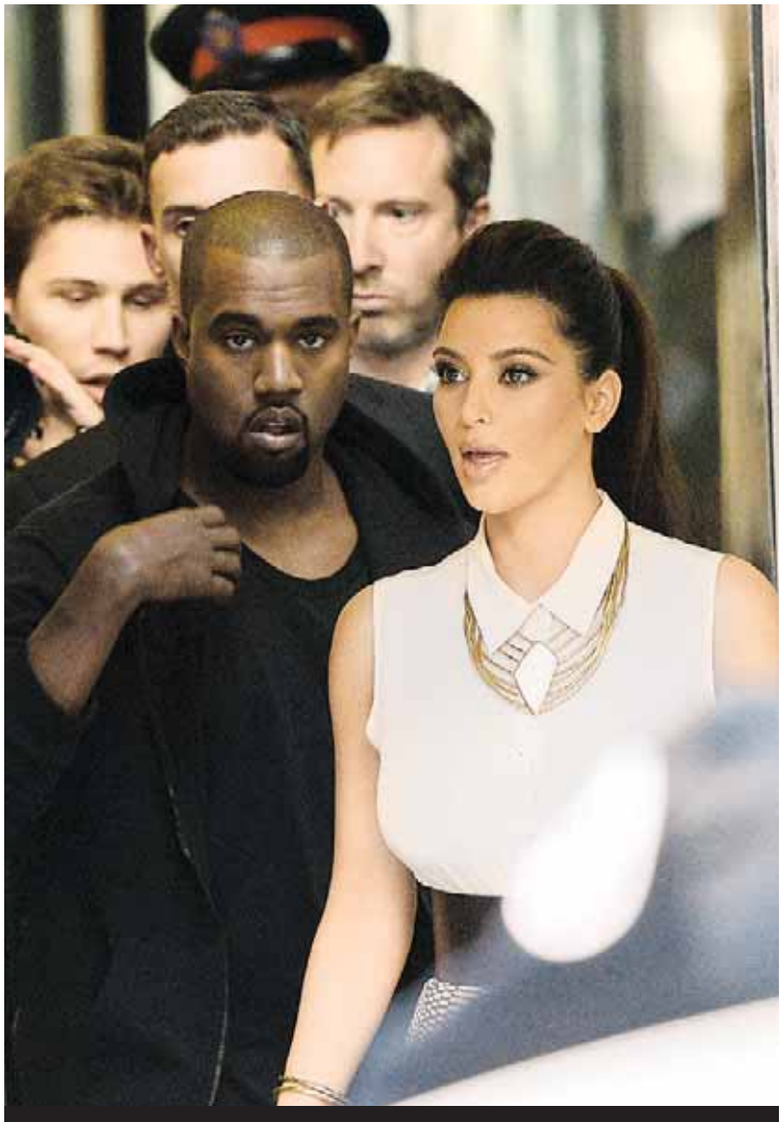

KOURTING KIM

Reality star Kim Kardashian and current beau, musician Kanye West, are spotted on Richmond Street in Toronto on Thursday. Kardashian was in town to promote her new jewelry line at the Bay at Richmond and Yonge streets. **Dish, page 42.** CENTRAL IMAGE AGENCY

Jury kept in dark about child porn

Tori Stafford murder. As jury deliberates, disturbing details emerge about the Michael Rafferty investigation

Michael Rafferty CONTRIBUTED

In early 2009, someone named Mychol Googled "underage rape," "real underage rape" and "real underage rape pictures" on a laptop. Between Jan. 25 and April 7, 2009, the person also entered keywords such as "real rape," "the best program to download child porn" and "nude preteen."

Mychol was Michael Rafferty. And Tori Stafford disappeared on April 8, 2009.

The evidence found in the Internet searches was never presented to the jury determining the fate of Rafferty, 31, who has pleaded not guilty to abduction, rape and murder.

Judge Thomas Heeney found that Rafferty's charter rights were violated when police did a forensic search on his laptop without a warrant, and he ruled the evidence obtained inadmissible. Heeney also said the Internet searches would be prejudicial and could emotionally bias the jurors against Rafferty.

There was more that was kept from the jury. Only now, with jurors sequestered, can those details be reported.

Investigators found child pornography — or evidence that child porn had been accessed — on Rafferty's laptop, iPod and a 20 GB hard drive that was found in his home and linked to a previous computer he used. Police found nine child-porn videos on the hard drive.

The investigation also uncovered 13 women who reported that Rafferty had a penchant for sexual choking, some of which they said was not consensual.

Police said they were told Rafferty had one woman sign a consent note saying she agreed "to what Mike and I are doing tonight sexual choking and passing out and other things."

Throughout the trial, the jury also never heard that on March 28, 2009, Rafferty downloaded Gardens of the Night on his laptop — a little-known Hollywood movie about the abduction of a pretty blond girl while she is on her way home from school. That was just days before Tori was abducted.

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For continuing coverage of the Rafferty trial, go to metronews.ca.

Shooting rocks Dundas West

Community calls for action after the third gun incident in the past month

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Make this classic treat for mum, served with a nice hot cup of tea

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On the web

Modern Crusoe

Modern-day homestead or survival game? An Anchorage, Alaska, oil employee/filmmaker is heading to a nearly deserted island for one year with nothing but his dog as a sidekick. Watch at metronews.ca

The ultimate power suit

The future is now, according to Japanese robot enthusiasts who have created a 13-foot-tall robotic power suit that can accommodate a human pilot. The robot is remarkably similar to ones seen in Iron Man, Avatar and Aliens. Watch at metronews.ca

Mobile news

The jury's out on whether it's breastfeeding at its best or parenting at its worst. Either way, it's an image that has tongues wagging. A controversial Time magazine cover photo is going viral, and people across the globe, Canadians included, are voicing their opinions. Scan the code for the story.

Witness accounts

Oriole Park shooting followed altercation: Police

Police are tracking the movements of James Massey and trying to find people who knew the Toronto labourer as the investigation into his homicide enters its third day.

Massey, 32, died from a close-range shotgun wound to the abdomen at about 3 a.m. Wednesday in Oriole Park, near Yonge Street and Davisville Avenue.

A single angry raised voice was heard by area residents, followed by a shot, Det. Sgt. Gary Giroux told reporters Thursday.

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Mississauga probe

Mom charged in infant son's death appears in court

A Mississauga woman accused of killing her infant son may not speak to her husband or older child, a Brampton judge ordered Thursday.

Corinne Platonov, 40, is charged with first-degree murder in the death of four-month-old Alexander.

Platonov appeared briefly in court Thursday morning, handcuffed and wearing a red collared shirt. Pale-skinned with straight, shoulder-length dark hair, she scanned the courtroom briefly before speaking with her lawyer.

There did not appear to be any family members or friends present in the courtroom.

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Conditional sentence

Ex-principal sentenced in fraud case

The former principal of a school for children with special needs has received a 21-month conditional sentence after pleading guilty to defrauding her employer.

Linda LaRocque, 64, a former superintendent with the Toronto District School Board, was the highest-earning staff member at the time she committed the fraud, while seconded to the Bloorview MacMillan School Authority as principal/director.

The facility, near Bayview and Eglinton avenues, provides innovative school programs to children and youth undergoing rehabilitation treatment and is funded by the education ministry. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Police are investigating a shooting at the Cooper Mills Townhomes at 4020 Dundas St. W. STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Man shot to death outside townhome

Homicide. Police speaking to potential witnesses in targeted shooting of man in his 20s near complex

Police are searching for at least one suspect after a man in his 20s died from multiple gunshot wounds Thursday afternoon following a targeted shooting outside a townhouse complex.

At about 3 p.m., police received calls about gunshots in the laneway near Cooper Mills Townhomes at 4020 Dundas St. West.

Det.-Sgt. Wayne Banks of Toronto Police's homicide squad said police have spoken with several witnesses and are awaiting video surveillance footage to be downloaded by the Toronto Community Housing Corporation.

It's third shooting in this neighbourhood in the past month.

Bill Baxter, a resident who heard the shooting, said he saw two men flee the scene. Baxter called 911 and approached the victim. "I check his wrist, no pulse. Both sides his throat, no pulse," he said.

Baxter said the victim had four gunshot wounds to his torso and one to his mouth.

"I thought it was my neighbour's kid at first," said Baxter, who is temporarily in Toronto to take care of a girlfriend's disabled son. "I thought, 'Oh God, not another shooting.'"

At the scene Thursday afternoon, a dark grey car with two bullet holes in the windshield rested against a pole it had apparently smashed into, not far from where the body was found. Banks said the vehicle was involved in the incident, but it's not clear who was in possession at the time or who the owner might be.

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Third shooting in the past month

"The community want this violence to stop.... Obviously there is some fear and apprehension."

Det.-Sgt. Wayne Banks of Toronto Police's homicide squad

Kenneth Mark HANDOUT

Witness support. Police draft strategy

In a courtroom in February, Toronto police Det. Amy Davey broke down in tears testifying about how helpless she felt trying to protect Kenneth Mark.

Mark was killed execution-style in 2009 for breaking the code of silence. Davey recalled her last call to him, urging Mark to call her if trouble arose.

"This hit me like a bag of hammers," Deputy Police Chief Peter Sloly remembers. "That officer didn't have the tools to help Mark. She couldn't offer anything more to Mark than a phone call."

Soon after, as a morning briefing was breaking up, Sloly approached Chief Bill Blair with an idea: How about introducing a formal witness protection program?

"Go ahead, you have my full support," the chief told Sloly. "This is an important case and an important issue."

With those words, Sloly began drafting details of the first-ever Toronto Police Victim Witness Support Strategy, which he expects to have ready in draft form by June 30.

The witness support program will start off small and simple, the deputy chief explains, with a protocol involving up to 10 possible support actions that will be rolled out in all 17 divisions consistently.

The first step is to create a new position, a dedicated "victim support officer," to collect best-practice ideas from all the divisions. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Casa Loma in need of $20M in repairs

Tourists from Australia, England and Holland make a pit stop at Toronto's Casa Loma last year while on a sightseeing tour. TARA WALTON/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Heritage. Sir Henry Pellatt's old residence is in 'urgent' need of renovations, says rep

Canada's most famous castle is "at the tipping point" and badly in need of $20 million worth of external repairs, says Lyle Hall, a spokesman for HLT Advisory Inc., which was hired by Casa Loma Corp.

The City of Toronto created CLC to manage the iconic century-old residence and estate buildings constructed by Sir Henry Pellatt and come up with recommendations for its future.

Hall said at a community meeting that estimates for interior repairs are unknown at this point. But the "capital need is urgent," he warned.

Revenues from admittance to Casa Loma and from special event rentals come to around $1 million after expenses.

The Casa Loma Corp. has a mandate to suggest long-term use and ownership of the historical buildings to the City of Toronto and will be making a recommendation to council's executive committee June 12.

Trelawny Howell, great grandniece of Pellatt, criticized the stewardship of the Kiwanis Club, who manage the castle. The castle should be used "day and night ... it should be the go-to-place in the city," she said.

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"They've had it for 80 years and they've made a mess of it for 80 years."

Trewlawny Howell, great grandniece of Henry Pellatt, criticizing Casa Loma management

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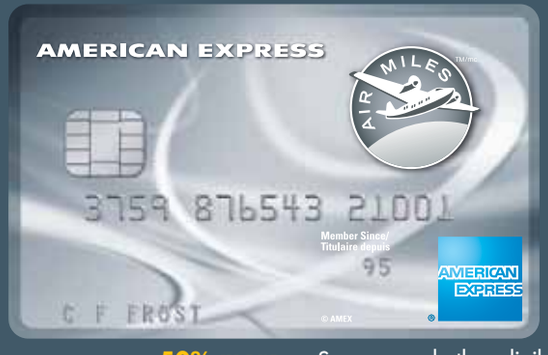

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Concrete strikes again

The Gardiner Expressway overpass at Parkside Drive this morning where concrete fell on the road for the second time this week. John Bryson, the city's manager of structures and expressways, maintained that the road is safe, saying the concrete that came loose does not affect the safety of the structure as no damage was done to its internal structure. RICK MADONIK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Condominium Act

Bill will better protect condo owners: NDP

Ontario's New Democrats want the province to update its laws to better protect condominium owners.

New Democrat Rosario Marchese has introduced legislation that would amend the Condominium Act to provide owners with stronger legal and consumer protections.

He says the changes are needed because condo laws are outdated and force owners and boards to take developers to court, which is very expensive

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St. Thomas, Ont.

Police, military probing 'bunker' in St. Thomas home

It's not the type of thing residents of an otherwise quiet St. Thomas, Ont., neighbourhood are used to seeing.

St. Thomas police, accompanied by members of the Canadian military, have visited a neighbourhood home twice this week.

Earlier this week, several old shells found in an underground "bunker" were removed for safe disposal.

They returned on Wednesday night to look for live shells that may have been stored elsewhere in the home.

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For more than three hours, emergency units investigated a suspected pipe bomb taped to a lamppost in an exclusive west-end neighbourhood at Prince Edward Drive and King Georges Road.

But what concerned Toronto police was that a dangerous homemade explosive turned out to be a harmless toy. Geocaching, a kind of high-tech treasure hunt, is a game where scavengers use Global Positioning Systems or mobile devices to seek containers, or geocaches as they're known, that are hidden in locations around the world. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Trophy. Cricketers prepare for four-day tournament

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Young cricketers will be facing off for the coveted CIBC Trophy this Monday. CONTRIBUTED

There will be a fierce competition come this Monday on the playing field as young cricketers battle it out over a four-day tournament.

Only eight of the 40 teams competing for the CIBC Trophy will be heading into the final rounds in June.

The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) Mayor's School Cricket Tournament, in which Metro is a partner, has been getting an increasing amount of interest from young athletes.

Tournament organizer Ranil Mendis says he's been receiving emails and calls from students all across the city that were inspired and wanted to start a school team.

"The kids are really excited because this tournament has really given them a chance to shine in the newspapers," said Mendis. "This opportunity has really helped the cricket stories amongst these Torontonians come to the forefront and get noticed."

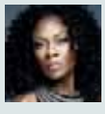
The preliminary tournament runs from May 14 to 17 at the Eglinton Flats Park, G. Ross Lord Park, Centennial Park and Sunnybrook Park.

For the latest tournament results, go to metronews.ca.

Prolific Canadians

Ten prolific Canadians took the stage at Toronto's Winter Garden Theatre on Thursday to share life-changing insights. Each speaker at the aptly named Top Ten Event had 10 minutes to share one thing people should know before they die. Proceeds from the second annual event went to the Stephen Lewis Foundation which assists those living with HIV and AIDS in Africa. Here's what a few of the speakers had to say:

Alan Cross, Metro music columnist and host of The Secret History of Rock
I want to go out of this world with as few regrets as possible ... he who dies with the most stories wins so say yes to everything.



Jully Black, Juno Award-winning R&B singer-songwriter
Are you living in your purpose? Are you living or are you existing? Push past your past.

David Miller, World Bank adviser and former mayor of Toronto
We should judge a society by how they treat those who have the least.

Mellissa Fung, CBC journalist, who was kidnapped while on assignment in Afghanistan in 2008
I had forgiven my kidnappers even before they let me go ... forgiving my kidnappers has liberated me. I am no longer their victim.

Ajay Virmani, President and CEO of Cargojet
Risk is the most important element to be an entrepreneur. It must be calculated risk. ... Find the one thing that lights a fire under your ass and go for it.

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No excuses for Ornge's failure to respond: Critics

Emergency. Ornge unable to respond to collision in which man later died in hospital

Minister of health and long-term care Deb Matthews enters a committee room for the ORNGE hearings in this photo from last month. Tory Frank Klees told the legislature told the legislature Thursday that Matthews and Interim Ornge CEO Ron McKerlie "have embarrassed themselves with defensive excuses" for Ornge's inability to respond to a fatal collision. COLIN MC CONNELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

It's clear air ambulance services in Ontario haven't improved since the government cleaned house at Ornge and installed new leadership, opposition critics charged Thursday.

Both the Progressive Conservatives and New Democrats say Ornge's failure to respond to a fatal collision north of Toronto is yet another sign that the publicly funded organization isn't able to do its job.

The emergency call came in at 6:44 a.m. Wednesday, but Ornge said it couldn't send a helicopter because the incoming crew — who had worked overtime the day before — wasn't available until 7:15 a.m., due to federal rules requiring time off between flights.

The injured man was transported by land ambulance from the crash scene in Whitchurch-Stouffville and later died in hospital.

Interim Ornge CEO Ron McKerlie and Health Minister Deb Matthews have "embarrassed themselves with defensive excuses" for Ornge's inability to respond to the emergency, Tory Frank Klees told the legislature.

He was referring to McKerlie's comments that Ornge is required to provide minimum rest periods and that it would take another six pilots at Ornge's bases across Ontario to cover the gaps — which is expensive.

McKerlie also said that Ornge is scheduling flights as best as possible given its tight budget.

That's no excuse, Klees said.

"Apparently, the minister and Mr. McKerlie didn't think to ask why the night shift crew that was scheduled to be on duty until 7 o'clock didn't respond to the call," he said.

The government has been warned many times that Ornge is facing a staff shortage, Klees said. Its previous contractors, Canadian Helicopters Ltd., would have paid a penalty if they failed to respond to an emergency.

Matthews, who accused Klees of "politicizing" the tragedy, pleaded for patience as the ministry reviews what happened. That work must be completed before any action is taken, she said. The coroner may decide to conduct an inquest as well.

"We want people to get air ambulance service if they need it," Matthews said outside the legislative chamber. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Oakville mayor warns of 'explosive situation'

After averting a potential disaster, Oakville wants the Ontario government to immediately stop unregulated drilling for geothermal energy installations until rules are written to ensure public safety.

"We consider this to be an explosive situation," Mayor Rob Burton said, following an incident last month in which a contractor drilling a borehole for a vertical geothermal heating system struck significant volumes of pressurized natural gas hundreds of feet deep.

Burton said Thursday he has written letters to Premier Dalton McGuinty and four other ministers urging a moratorium on deep well and borehole drilling in urban areas.

The contractor, working in a heavily populated neighbourhood, had no petroleum-gas monitoring equipment, according to Burton.

"The incident could have caused extensive property damage, personal injury or even loss of life," he said.

A few days later, the local gas utility and town fire department received an emergency call from the owner of a home about 100 metres from the drilling site who heard a bubbling noise from a sump pump hole.

High levels of natural gas (which is odourless in its naturally occurring state) were found inside and outside the home, and officials took steps to ensure proper ventilation and natural gas monitoring.

Oakville Mayor Rob Burton
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"Those workers and other people around there were very lucky and should be buying lottery tickets," Burton said.

Kate Jordan, a spokeswoman for the Environment Ministry, said the government is reviewing the mayor's request. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Animal alert

Coyotes spotted in Mississauga

Peel regional police are alerting the public that coyotes have been sighted in south Mississauga.

Several people flagged down officers Thursday afternoon to report seeing two coyotes.

Police say the animals were spotted in a dry creek bed area near Council Ring Road, just east of Glen Erin Drive.

Police warn residents that coyotes can become aggressive if they get used to humans feeding them or even leaving food around.

Anyone who sees a coyote is being urged to contact police or Mississauga Animal Control. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Hockey. MacLean takes flack for 9-11 comment

For once, Don Cherry isn't in the hot seat over what he said on Hockey Night In Canada.

Instead it's his longtime on-air companion Ron MacLean, who sparked controversy when he compared players to 9-11 first responders prior to Wednesday's playoff game between New York and Washington.

At the start of the broadcast, MacLean notes that the two cities were united by the tragedy of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

He says it is "crazy to compare what the emergency responders did during that time, but a spirit has to start somewhere."

He then goes on to say you "can't help but be struck by the players and the way they've played these games.

"They are like police officers, they are like firefighters. You can't fight fire with ego. The pain these men have faced, the price they keep on paying, the hearts they keep on lifting."

MacLean and the CBC issued a statement Thursday to "clarify" the comments.

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Vancouver

More charges in Stanley Cup riot

Six more people have been charged in last year's Stanley Cup riot in Vancouver, bringing to 91 the total number of people facing charges.

The latest suspects are men and women from the Metro Vancouver region ranging in age from 19 to 33.

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Hackers

Smartphones vulnerable: Study

Handheld devices such as smartphones and tablets could be the next frontier for cyber-spies and other rogue players in the digital world, warns a newly declassified assessment from Canada's intelligence agency. Opportunities for malicious hackers are growing.

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Thousands march to end legalized abortions

Ottawa. Teenagers, families and religious leaders gather at Parliament Hill two weeks after MP rekindles national abortion debate

Pro-life supporters take part in the March For Life rally in Ottawa on Thursday. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Thousands of people marched through the streets of Ottawa on Thursday in an annual protest to end legalized abortions.

Throngs of teenagers, given the day off by their Roman Catholic schools to attend the event, sang "Life is Life, Na Na Na Na Na," as they drifted slowly away from Parliament Hill into the streets.

They were joined by religious leaders and people of all ages, including families with small children, in a march that lasted nearly two hours.

The protest came just two weeks after a Conservative MP tried to reopen the national abortion debate.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper rejected Stephen Woodworth's private member's motion in late April, but that didn't stop critics from accusing the Tories of using the proposal as a back-door way to rekindle debate over the sensitive topic.

Police estimated that there were fewer people than the 15,000 that the Campaign Life Coalition claimed attended last year's event.

The protesters called on the government to legislate protection for all human beings from the time of conception to the moment of natural death.

A few dozen pro-choice protesters were also on hand, some chanting "My body, my choice."

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'Critical equipment shortfalls' for Canadian military in Arctic, says internal briefing

Prime Minister Stephen Harper in Iqaluit. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Six years after the Harper government declared the Arctic to be a new operations area for the Canadian military, the army has struggled to find enough parkas, cold-weather tents, lanterns and heaters to equip forces that take part in its annual summer exercise.

The "critical equipment shortfalls" were so bad last year, the head of the army approved a request by area commanders to buy missing gear themselves, say internal briefing documents.

The briefings also show the army worried about running out of parkas, and turned to the air force for help.

The army is "required to affirm national sovereignty and conduct patrolling and surveillance operations," said a May 26, 2011, briefing note for Lt.-Gen. Peter Delving, the country's top soldier.

The document was obtained by The Canadian Press under the federal access-to-information law.

The request to buy gear came from Land Forces Atlantic region units taking part in the annual Arctic exercise Operation Amok, which the Conservative government has used as a showcase for its northern ambitions.

"Although the (land force areas) have received some equipment critical to achieving (initial operating capability), their equipment lists are inadequate or incomplete, and some immediate purchases are required in order to ensure mobility, survivability and credibility within the context of Op Amok 11."

Specifically, the units needed tents, trailers for all-terrain vehicles, cooking stoves, storage containers, lanterns and heaters for multi-day patrols that take soldiers away from forward bases and deep into the barren wilderness.

The briefing warned that without the trailers for equipment, patrol ranges would be limited. It noted the shortages were nothing new in the annual marquee exercise, which has seen the prime minister, the defence minister and chief of defence staff drop in for high-profile photo-ops.

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Parkas

- A decision by National Defence headquarters to concentrate on buying combat coats and wind pants caused a shortage of parkas.
- "To find they didn't have enough parkas, this is Canada for goodness sakes," said Rob Huebert of the University of Calgary.
- The army was required to raid the air force's stock of olive drab jackets and insulated bib overalls. The supply was rationed in late 2010 to soldiers assigned to winter operations.

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Deadly car bombs shake Syria

Terror in Damascus. Massive blasts near government building kill 55 and further derail dwindling hopes for an end to violence

Twin suicide car bombs exploded outside a military intelligence building and killed 55 people Thursday, tossing mangled bodies in the street in the deadliest attack against a regime target since the Syrian uprising began 14 months ago.

The bombings fuelled fears of a rising Islamic militant element among the forces seeking to oust President Bashar Assad and dealt a further blow to international efforts to end the bloodshed.

The first car bomb went off on a key six-lane highway during the morning rush hour, knocking down a security wall outside the government building and drawing people to the scene, witnesses said. A much larger blast soon followed, shaking the neighbourhood, setting dozens of cars ablaze and sending up a grey mushroom cloud visible around the capital.

Flames and smoke rise from burning cars after two bombs exploded, at Qazaz neighborhood in Damascus, Syria, on Thursday. SANA NEWS|THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Syrian state TV video showed dozens of bodies, some charred or dismembered, strewn in the rubble or still inside damaged cars. An Associated Press reporter at the scene saw medics in rubber gloves picking through the site for human remains amid the two craters that were blasted into the asphalt.

The Interior Ministry, which oversees the police and security services, said 55 people were killed and more than 370 were wounded. Officials said suicide bombers detonated explosives weighing more than 1,000 kilograms.

The government blamed the attack on armed terrorists it says are driving the uprising, which has grown into the strongest threat to the Assad family dynasty in its four decades in power.

Syria's UN ambassador, Bashar Ja'afari, told the Security Council that a second bombing in Aleppo on Thursday also killed civilians and damaged property.

A leader of the Free Syrian Army, an umbrella group of anti-regime militias throughout the country, condemned the Damascus attack and denied the group was involved.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility, but a shadowy militant group calling itself the Al-Nusra Front has claimed past attacks through statements on militant websites.

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Enemies of the state

The blast was the largest and most deadly yet in a series of bombings targeting state security buildings since last December.

- **Deadly trend.** Most of these attacks have been in Aleppo and Damascus, which have generally stood by Assad.
- **Damascus targeted.** The attack was the fifth to hit Damascus since December 2011, when a car bomb killed 44 people.

International community

Officials outraged

World powers seeking to halt Syria's unrest condemned the attack and urged all sides to adhere to a ceasefire brokered by UN and Arab League envoy Kofi Annan.

"In order to prevent another escalation of violence, we continue to call on the Syrian regime to fully and immediately implement the Annan plan," U.S. State Department spokeswoman Victoria Nuland said in Washington."

Maj. Gen. Robert Mood, the Norwegian head of a team of observers overseeing the ceasefire, toured the site and said the Syrian people do not deserve this "terrible violence."

"It is not going to solve any problems," he said. "It is only going to create more suffering for women and children."

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Sochi. Chechens, Georgians blamed for foiled terror plot

Russian agents have foiled terror attack plans on the Black Sea resort of Sochi, host of the 2014 Winter Olympics, authorities said Thursday, blaming Chechen separatists and neighbouring Georgia for jointly masterminding the plans.

Georgian authorities and security experts, however, called the accusations "paranoid" and "hard to believe."

Russia's National Anti-Terrorist Committee said the FSB, the successor agency to the KGB, had discovered 10 caches of weapons and ammunition on May 4 and May 5 in Georgia's breakaway republic of Abkhazia, which lies just kilometres from Sochi.

The arms seized included portable surface-to-air missiles, grenade launchers, flame throwers, rifles, explosives and maps, the security service said.

Authorities said the terrorists were planning to smuggle the explosives and arms into Sochi "between 2012 and 2014 to use them during the preparations and during the games."

They did not elaborate on how they came to this conclusion. Sochi is less than dozen miles away from Russia's border with Abkhazia, a tiny province that declared independence from Georgia in 2008.

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Ireland

Church rebuilding, archbishop says

The archbishop of Dublin, a leading voice for reform following Ireland's devastating Catholic church sex-abuse scandal, says the church is trying to rebuild even as it confronts the ghosts of its past.

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Europe

Merkel slams Ukraine repression

German Chancellor Angela Merkel is drawing a parallel between Ukraine and its authoritarian neighbour Belarus, saying the citizens of both countries are "still living under dictatorship and repression."

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Russian jet sales in limbo after ill-fated test flight

Sukhoi. Moscow jumps to plane's defence following crash in Indonesia that appears to have killed 45 aboard

In this photo released by the Indonesian Air Force, the remains of a missing Sukhoi Superjet-100 are scattered on the mountainside in Bogor, West Java, Indonesia, Thursday. The new Russian-made passenger plane disappeared Wednesday during a demonstration flight. INDONESIAN AIR FORCE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The crash of a new, Russian-made jetliner into a jagged Indonesian volcano during a flight to impress potential buyers threw doubt on dozens of plane sales Thursday just as Moscow seeks a comeback in foreign markets. All 45 people aboard were feared dead.

Search-and-rescue teams climbed through the mist-shrouded, jungly terrain for nearly 20 hours to reach the site where the plane roared in at nearly 800 km/h Wednesday, exploding and raining debris down a nearly vertical slope.

When the weather clears, bodies will have to be hoisted by nets and ropes onto hovering choppers, said Gagah Prakoso, a spokesman for the national search-and-rescue agency. "We're still searching for survivors," he said. "But it doesn't look good."

The Sukhoi Superjet-100 — Russia's first new model of passenger jet since the fall of the Soviet Union two decades ago — was supposed to kick-start the nation's efforts to modernize its fleet and resurrect its neglected aerospace industry.

Indonesia, the fourth stop of a six-nation "Welcome Asia!" tour, was one of Sukhoi's brightest hopes, accounting for a big chunk of the 170 orders taken globally so far.

Kartika Airlines, Sky Aviation and Queen Air — among dozens of airlines to have popped up in the nation of 240 million to meet the growing demand for cheap air travel in the last decade — together were aiming to buy at least 48.

"We will wait for the result of the investigation before making any further (purchasing) decisions," said Arifin Seman, one of the top executives at Kartika.

Krisman Tarigan, president-director of Sky, said he "would not rule out cancellation if the crash occurred because the plane was not airworthy."

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Obama decided to back gay marriage before VP's remark

U.S. Biden says sorry to Obama for comments that led president to speed up his public acknowledgement of his support for same-sex unions: Source

U.S. President Barack Obama says he'd already decided to come out for gay marriage before Vice-President Joe Biden publicly endorsed it.

Obama tells ABC in an interview that he wasn't worried about being upstaged by Biden on the volatile social issue.

However, at one point, Obama says, "Would I have preferred to have done this in my own way, in my own terms without, I think, there being a lot of notice to everybody? Sure."

But Obama quickly adds, "All's well that ends well."

U.S. President Barack Obama THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

He tells ABC's Robin Roberts that he "already made a decision to take this position" before Biden made his comments Sunday in response to a question in a nationally broadcast interview.

Education Secretary Arne Duncan endorsed gay marriage on Monday.

Obama says in Wednesday's interview — shown Thursday morning — he didn't revise his position as part of a re-election campaign ploy.

"It would be hard to argue that somehow this is something that I'd be doing for political advantage because, frankly, the politics, it's not clear how they're going to cut."

Several countries, mostly in Europe but also Canada, Argentina and South Africa, already allow gay marriage.

Gay-rights activists around the world hailed Obama's support for same-sex marriage as a symbolic victory.

There were very few signs that Obama's announcement Wednesday would drive change abroad. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Undulating blob is a type of jellyfish: Expert

Captured by a deep-sea camera, this shot of a large blob has spawned a week of what-the-heck-is-that Internet speculation. Guesses have run from a plastic bag, to a floating whale placenta — to a jellyfish. Writing on his Facebook page, Dr. Steven Haddock of JellyWatch.org identifies the creature as Deepstaria enigmatica, a jellyfish. It's not that rare, but this one is large and it's rarely seen intact. YOUTUBE.COM

PM leaves door open

Gay marriage in New Zealand?

New Zealand PM John Key has broken a silence on gay marriage and left the door open for making it legal. The opposition leader also expressed support. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Shocking incident

Romney forcibly cut bangs of schoolmate

U.S. Republican presidential front-runner Mitt Romney admitted on Thursday he "did some dumb things" in high school. He issued a tepid apology over revelations he bullied and physically accosted a classmate who was presumed gay.

His remarks came in the wake of a Washington Post story that quotes several former Romney schoolmates as they recall the presidential wannabe holding down a classmate and forcibly cutting his blond bangs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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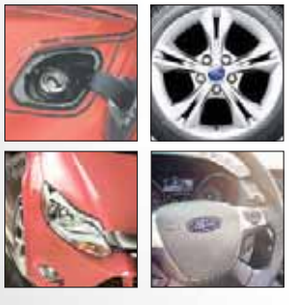

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Friendly Parisian Spiderman

French urban climber Alain Robert, known as Spiderman, climbs up the 231-metre First Tower, the tallest skyscraper in France, in the La Defense business district in Courbevoie, outside Paris, on Thursday.

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Mayan astronomy more optimistic than we thought?

Celestial calendar. Small room inside Guatemalan ruins reveals detailed work and calls into question doomsday predictions

In this undated photo, conservator Angelyn Bass cleans the surface of a wall in a Mayan house that dates to the 9th century A.D. in the Maya city Zultun in northeastern Guatemala. TYRONE TURNER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Archaeologists have found a small room in Mayan ruins where royal scribes apparently used walls like a blackboard to keep track of astronomical records and the society's intricate calendar some 1,200 years ago.

The walls reveal the oldest known astronomical tables from the Maya. Scientists already knew they must have been keeping such records at that time, but until now the oldest known examples dated from about 600 years later.

Astronomical records were key to the Mayan calendar, which has gotten some attention recently because of doomsday warnings that it predicts the end of the world this December. Experts say it makes no such prediction. The new finding provides a bit of backup: The calculations include a time span longer than 6,000 years, meaning it could extend well beyond 2012.

"Why would they go into those numbers if the world is going to come to an end this year?" observed Anthony Aveni of Colgate University in Hamilton, N.Y., an expert on Mayan astronomy.

Aveni, along with William Saturno of Boston University and others, report the discovery in Friday's issue of the journal Science.

The room is part of a large complex of Mayan ruins in the rain forest at Xultun in northeastern Guatemala. The walls also contain portraits of a seated king and some other figures, but it's clear those have no connection to the astronomical writings, the scientists said.

One wall contains a calendar based on phases of the moon, covering about 13 years. The researchers said they think it might have been used to keep track of which deity was overseeing the moon at particular times.

Aveni said it would allow scribes to predict the appearance of a full moon years in advance, for example. Such record-keeping was key to Mayan astrology and rituals and could have been used to advise the king on when to go to war or how good the year's crops would be, he said.

On an adjacent wall are numbers indicating four time spans from roughly 935 to 6,700 years. It's not clear what they represent, but maybe the scribes were doing calculations that combined observations from important astronomical events like the movements of Mars, Venus and the moon, the researchers said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Written in the stars

"What you have here is astronomy driven by religion." Anthony Aveni of Colgate University, discussing recent archeological discovery in Guatemala.

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Conservatives. Proposed bill legislates 10 years for masks worn at riots

Conservative MPs have agreed to impose a maximum 10-year prison term on protesters who wear masks during a riot.

A proposed private members' bill would make it a crime for protesters to wear a mask or disguise while participating in a riot or unlawful assembly.

The Conservative majority on a House of Commons committee that's examining the bill has taken matters a step further by doubling the proposed maximum prison term to 10 years from five.

Blake Richards, the Conservative backbencher who proposed the new legislation, has said he sees the law as being mainly preventative in nature, allowing police to step in and arrest masked participants before protests spiral out of control.

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NDP objections

- **Government MPs passed the amendment over the objections of the NDP opposition, who argue the bill is a sham because wearing a mask to commit any crime is already an offence under the Criminal Code.**

Russell Williams

Peter MacKay sorry for picture

Defence Minister Peter MacKay has apologized after a photo of convicted murderer Russell Williams appeared in a Defence Department booklet. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Mother's Day survey

Women pull the purse strings: Poll

The Bank of Montreal says in a new report in advance of Mother's Day that women are the chief financial officers of their households.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Orange wave continues to hit blue Tory shores

NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair CHRIS YOUNG/ THE CANADIAN PRESS

Poll. Jack Layton legacy continues, according to Harris Decima survey

A new poll suggests the New Democrats are widening their support across the country.

The Canadian Press Harris Decima survey indicates that the NDP have 34 per cent of popular support, compared to 30 per cent for the Conservatives.

With a margin of error of 2.2 percentage points, support for the two parties could be equally split.

"Remember this is a party that a decade ago, half the electorate said they would 'never' vote for," said Allan Gregg, chairman of Harris Decima.

"To broaden their base as we see in these data is quite remarkable."

Overall, the Liberals continue to hold steady at 20 per cent support, the poll suggests.

Orange crush

- **The poll indicates that the New Democrats have become competitive in traditional Tory areas.** Among rural Canadians, the poll suggests the New Democrats have 31 per cent support, compared to 35 per cent for the Tories.
- **The NDP appear to have the support of 36 per cent of urban and suburban men, a number that has risen steadily since February.** Meanwhile, the Conservatives are seeing their support in that demographic appear to hover around 29 per cent, down from close to 40 per cent four months ago.
- **As well, the New Democrats appear to have supplanted the Liberals as the natural party among women, said Allan Gregg, chairman of Harris Decima.**

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There have been live births broadcast on the Internet, and a number of operations. Now the Memorial Hermann hospital in Houston has gone a step further and provided the first ever live-tweeted brain surgery.

The surgery was performed by Dr. Dong Kim, a leading neurosurgeon who operated on Congresswoman Gabrielle Gifford when she was shot in the head in January last year. On Wednesday, Kim removed a benign tumor from a 21-year-old woman who had consented to the broadcast.

The surgeon was joined by a social-media team that tracked and broadcast every stage from an adjacent room.

Tweets

- **@houstonhospital @briabria – The tumor was benign. - Dr. Kim**
- **@houstonhospital @antmont96 – When there's a hemorrhage, the blood clot is partially absorbed. Yellow protein remains & stains the brain yellow. - Dr. Kim**

The hospital received an "overwhelming response," Nicole Terry, a hospital spokeswoman told Metro, which included a total of 14 million viewers worldwide. METRO WORLD NEWS

Criticism

Girl Scouts of USA face official inquiry

The Girl Scouts of the USA have long been a lightning rod for conservative criticism. Now they're facing their highest-level challenge: an official inquiry by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

At issue are concerns about program materials that some Catholics find offensive. Last year, the Scouts angered some conservatives by accepting into a Colorado troop a seven-year-old transgendered child who was born a boy but was being raised as a girl.

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Blind Chinese activist concerned for his family

Restrictions. Officials in Shandong have placed some of Chen Guangcheng's relatives under house arrest

Restrictions

Chen Guangcheng's family have been targeted by Shandong police.

- Several of his relatives face restrictions on their movements while his nephew is in police detention.

Authorities in the hometown of blind activist Chen Guangcheng have notched up restrictions on members of his extended family while he awaits permission in Beijing to travel abroad under an agreement between China and the U.S.

Chen Guangcheng's brother and sister-in-law have been placed under house arrest, his nephew is in police detention, and another half-dozen relatives face some form of restriction on their movements in their village in Shandong province, according to Chen, his lawyers and a rights group.

Chen's flight from abusive house arrest in Shandong and into the protection of U.S. diplomats, which led to an agreement with Beijing to let him study in the U.S. accompanied by his wife and children, has exposed the impunity of local officials and embarrassed the central government.

"I feel that Shandong's retribution against me has already started," Chen said in an interview Thursday from a hospital where he is being treated for injuries suffered during his dramatic escape from his guarded farm house.

His nephew, Chen Kegui, is believed to have been detained in relation to a clash he had with officials who reportedly broke into his home after discovering that the activist had escaped in late April. Local Shandong police in the city and county overseeing Chen's village said they weren't aware of the situation with Chen's family. Local Communist party publicity officials could not be reached.

Police stop a Guangcheng supporter in Beijing. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Police in the activist's town are searching for the nephew's wife and have threatened to detain his mother, Chen Guangcheng added.

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Rim the Collins glass with salt and pepper. Add ice, SMIRNOFF® Vodka and Mott's Clamato™ Juice. Top with 3 dashes each of Worcestershire™ Sauce and Tabasco™ Sauce. Garnish with celery stick and enjoy.

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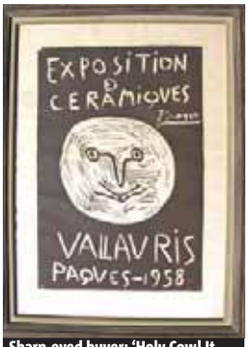
Unemployed man finds Picasso print in Ohio thrift shop

Awesome find. Signed poster cost him $14.14 but got him a $7,000 return from private buyer who wishes to remain anonymous

An unemployed Columbus, Ohio, man was browsing at his local thrift store for items he could restore and resell when he spotted a Picasso poster with the word "Exposition" written across the front, some French words and the image of a warped round face. He handed over $14.14 for what he saw as a nice commercial print.

Some Internet searches later — and a closer look at markings on the lower right area — and he sold what's believed to be a signed Picasso print for $7,000 to a private buyer who wants to remain anonymous.

"A pretty darn good return," said Zachary Bodish. "Can't get that at the bank."



Sharp-eyed buyer: 'Holy Cow! It really is a Picasso.'

ZACHARY BODISH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The 46-year-old Bodish, who was an event and volunteer coordinator at a local museum for six years, originally turned to the Internet and a personal blog to write about his neat find from early March. Bodish had lately been supplementing his income with buying and reselling restored furniture, and he suddenly realized he may have hit jackpot.

"I could tell it was not a modern print," he said. "So I thought, 'Well, it's probably not really a fine Picasso print. What's the chance of finding that in a thrift store in Columbus, Ohio?"

His online search led him to the print's history as an exhibition advertisement. And he began to look closely at some very faded red writing on the lower right area, which he originally thought were random pencil marks from the thrift store.

"It wasn't until I realized where the signature would be, and that those little red marks were right where the signature should be, that I got a stronger magnifying glass out and determined that, 'Holy cow! It's really a Picasso.'"

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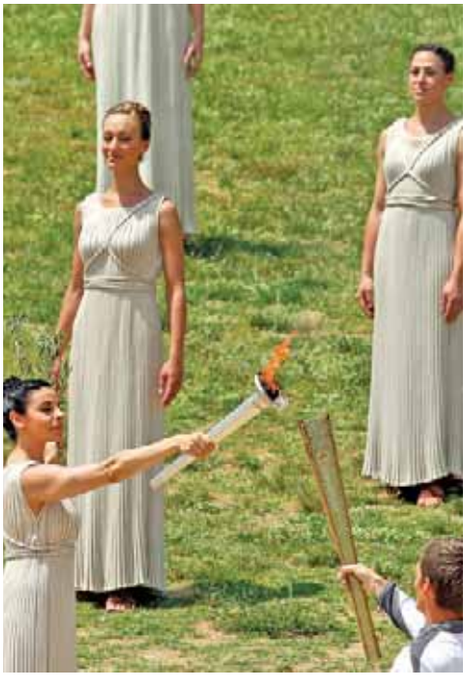
Get it to the Greek

An actress portraying the mythical high priestess Ino Menegaki passes the Olympic flame to Spyros Gianniotis, a 32-year-old Greek swimmer who won a silver medal for Greece at the 2008 Beijing Games, during the traditional lighting of the flame ceremony on Thursday in Ancient Olympia, Greece, where the Olympics began.

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Third time lucky?

Athens deadlock may actually end

Hopes rose slightly Thursday that Greece could end its deadlock without having a new election.

Socialist leader Evangelos Venizelos, who received the presidential mandate to form a government after two other party chiefs failed, said a meeting Thursday with a potential kingmaker had proved encouraging.

If he fails, President Karolos Papoulias will convene party leaders in a last-ditch effort to get a deal. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

27 marathons

Izzard uses feet to honour Mandela

British comedian and endurance runner Eddie Izzard says he'll run 27 marathons in honour of Nelson Mandela, who was jailed 27 years before being released to help usher in South Africa's democracy. Izzard spoke of his plan Thursday at a reception for Mandela's foundation in Johannesburg. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Number of farms drops

StatsCan. Agricultural census shows farmers are shifting efforts away from the cattle farming that was once the industry's backbone

New census numbers from Statistics Canada show the number of Canadian farms is continuing to shrink.

The 2011 census of agriculture shows the number of farms in the country has dropped by about 23,000, or 10.3 per cent, since 2006.

The agency says farmers are consolidating their operations, leading to a nearly seven per cent spike in the size of the average farm. The data also suggests Canada's farmers are re-evaluating the types of crops they produce.

The farming industry's main crops used to be evenly split between beef and grain, but the latest numbers showed a drop in the number of beef farmers.

Oilseed and grain farms now account for 30 per cent of all farms, compared with 26.9 per cent in 2006, while beef farms fell to 18.2 per cent from 26.3 per cent.

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The climbing Corvette

Crews remove the steel cage on Wednesday around a 2012 Corvette valued at $50,000 US, after they attached it to a pole 12.8 metres in the air over what will be the new Bennett Motors in Evansville, Ind. Larry Bennett built the lot in 1970 where he first placed a brand-new orange Corvette as an ornament for the dealership's business sign.

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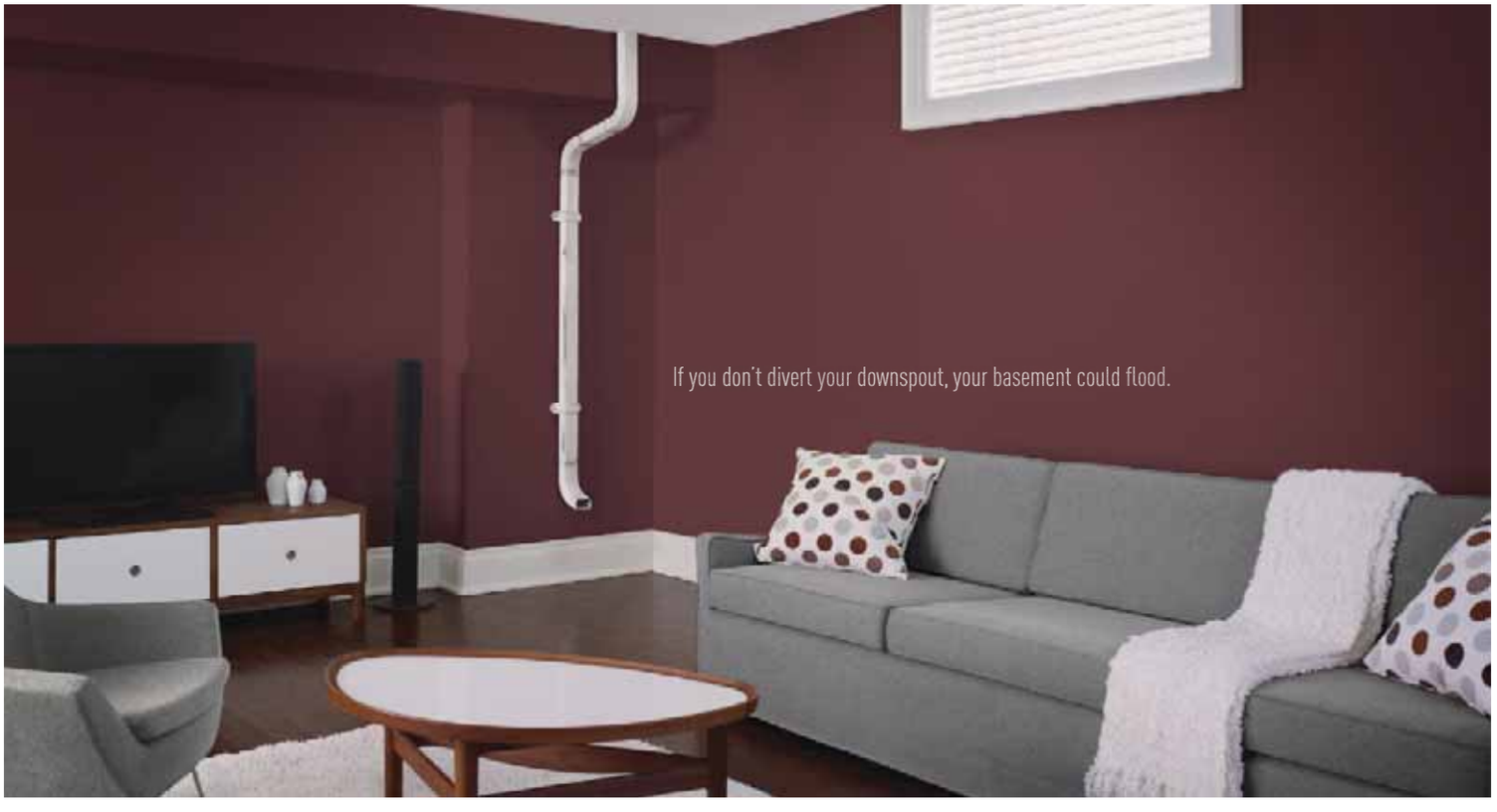

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Union Station at Front Street and The John Street Corridor

Two Municipal Class Environmental Assessments - Notices of Completion

The City of Toronto has completed two Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Studies. The recommended solutions, as documented in each Environmental Study Report (ESR), are as follows:

Changes to Front Street at Union Station

The City of Toronto has studied the reconfiguration of Front Street West from Bay Street to York Street to accommodate growing pedestrian traffic crossing Front Street and to enhance the historic Union Station's civic setting. The recommended plan includes the following main features:

1. Reducing the number of traffic lanes from four lanes to two lanes (each widened to 4.75m to better accommodate cyclists) with a mountable centre median and left turn lanes at appropriate locations.
2. Adding a mid-block pedestrian crossing area, with a slightly raised elevation (flush with the adjacent sidewalks) and specialized surface treatment.
3. Widening sidewalks and boulevard areas on both the north and south sides of Front Street, which will allow tree planting on the north side and the expansion of the public realm and civic plaza on the south side.
4. Enlarging pedestrian areas and widening crosswalks at both the Front/Bay and Front/York/University intersections to accommodate increased pedestrian volumes.
5. Providing designated lay-by areas to accommodate taxi, hotel, and private automobile pick-up and drop-off activity.

For more information about the Front Street study visit:
toronto.ca/union_station/front

John Street Corridor Improvements

The City of Toronto, in association with the Toronto Entertainment District Business Improvement Area, has evaluated potential improvements to the public realm along John Street between Stephanie Street and Front Street West. The potential improvements were developed under the guidance of the Toronto Entertainment District Master Plan. The resulting recommended design for John Street includes the following:

1. Narrowing the road pavement in order to provide significantly wider sidewalks and boulevard areas:
   a) From four to three lanes between Front Street and Wellington Street
   b) From four to two lanes between Wellington Street and Adelaide Street
   c) From three lanes to two lanes between Adelaide Street and Queen Street
2. Introducing right turn lanes northbound at Wellington Street West, northbound at Adelaide Street West and southbound at Wellington Street West, and a left turn lane southbound at Front Street, in order to avoid traffic being blocked by a single turning vehicle.
3. Including a continuous "mountable" curb on both sides of the street to enable a seamless transition into a pedestrian-only space for events, for vehicles to enter the flexible boulevard for deliveries or drop-offs, and to accommodate additional vehicular and cycling maneuvering on either side of the road in emergencies.
4. Widening of the east side boulevard between Front Street West and Stephanie Street to provide a 2.5 metre wide flexible space to accommodate deliveries, pedestrian movement, seasonal café seating, event space, and a variety of other uses.
5. Providing urban design elements which consist of a double row of trees where feasible, removable bollards, special lighting, street furniture, infrastructure to support special events and distinctive paving materials and patterns.

For more information about the John Street study visit:
toronto.ca/involved/projects/john/

Opportunities for Public Review

Both studies were carried out following the requirements for Schedule C projects under the Municipal Class EA. An Environmental Study Report (ESR) has been completed for each and has been placed on public record for a 30-day review period starting May 9, 2012 and ending June 11, 2012. The study reports are available for review at the following locations:

City Clerk's Office
City Hall, 12th Fl., West Tower
100 Queen St. West
Tel: 416-392-8016

Toronto Entertainment District BIA Office
100 Simcoe St., Suite 110, Toronto, ON M5H 3G2
Tel.: 416-926-1337
9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday

Please call or to confirm hours of operation

Each report is also available on its associated study web page.

If you have any outstanding concerns about either project, please address them to the City staff listed below and we will attempt to seek a mutually acceptable resolution.

Jason Diceman
Public Consultation Unit
Metro Hall, 19th Fl., 55 John St.

City of Toronto
Toronto, ON M5V 3C6
Email: jdicema@toronto.ca

Tel: 416-338-2830
Fax: 416-392-2974
TTY: 416-397-0831

If concerns regarding a project cannot be resolved in discussion with the City of Toronto, a person or party may request that the Minister of the Environment make an order for the project to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act (referred to as a Part II Order), which addresses individual Environmental Assessments. The Minister must receive the request in writing by June 11, 2012 at the address below, and a copy must also be sent to the City contact. If no requests are received by this date the City may proceed with a project as outlined in the Environmental Study Report.

The Honourable Jim Bradley
Minister of the Environment
Ferguson Block, 11th Fl.

77 Wellesley Ave.
Toronto ON M7A 2T5

Tel.: 416-314-6790
Fax: 416-314-7337

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A little red ball can help change it all
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DICTATOR GOING TO BE A RIOT

THE LIST
Neil Morton
Metro

1 **Steve (GM) Nash:** Canada's men's national basketball team is in great hands after the announcement that two-time NBA MVP Steve Nash has been named general manager. What would make things even sweeter is if the Victoria native, who is a free agent this off-season, signs with the Toronto Raptors. Captain Canada. Captain Toronto.

2 **Walk a mile in her shoes:** This International Men's March to stop rape, sexual assault and gender violence gives men, women and families the opportunity to raise awareness in their communities about the impact of sexualized violence by walking in women's high-heeled shoes.
Join a walk in your community or start your own by visiting walkamileinhershoes.org.

3 **The Dictator:** Admiral General Shabazz Aladeen is a dictator from the Republic of Wadiya and appeared on the Today Show with Matt Lauer this week with a handful of guards, and made some threatening remarks. Luckily General Aladeen is actually actor Sacha Baron Cohen, who was promoting his new comedy The Dictator, which opens May 16. Go see it. It will be a riot.

4 **Emily is back:** Emily Maynard, whose romance with former bachelor Brad Womack did not work out after he proposed to her, is the new Bachelorette. It premieres Monday May 14, and suitors include a data destruction specialist — fitting for the show, perhaps, with its high percentage of failed romances. Heck, even its host Chris Harrison recently announced he's splitting from his wife.

5 **Mark Zuckerberg's b-day:** Billionaire boy Mark Zuckerberg, the founder of Facebook — one of the most powerful brands on the planet (and soon to go IPO) — turns the ripe old age of 28 this Sunday. Before he hits 30, I predict Zuckerberg will create a transporter that will beam us up to other planets. We can share those planetary pics on Facebook.

6 **Desperate Housewives finale:** The now iconic Wisteria Lane will be no more after this Sunday when Desperate Housewives bids adieu to fans in a two-hour finale. Many former cast members will be returning for this tear-fest. The only consolation is knowing that there are still so many real-life desperate housewives we can continue to gossip about.

7 **Klout:** Klout.com, a social app that measures your social media reach, is all the talk right now with the cool kids. If you have a high 'klout' score (the highest you can get is 100 — only Justin Bieber has that), the more influential you are online. I have no idea what my 'klout' score is, but please follow me @neilmorton, tweet at me, and re-tweet my tweets and I won't be as scared to look.

8 **Chris Rumble:** This leukemia patient/young filmmaker/hero at Seattle Children's Hospital created an amazing video, Stronger: Seattle Children's Hospital starring (and empowering) fellow cancer patients who are going through painful chemotherapy. Performed to Kelly Clarkson's song Stronger, the video has gone viral on YouTube this week. Brilliant.

9 **Copenhagen Philharmonic ... in the subway:** The Copenhagen Philharmonic Orchestra did a terrific flash mob in the Copenhagen Metro subway, and the video already has nearly a million views this week. With flash mobs becoming ubiquitous, I'm thinking of starting a 24-7 flash mob that never stops flash-mobbing in a grand social experiment. Watch out.

British actor Sacha Baron Cohen arrives for the world premiere of The Dictator on Thursday in London. JONATHAN SHORT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It's reigning

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Royal weather

Britons get a surprise on BBC

If this king thing doesn't work out, Prince Charles may be able to fall back on a budding career as a weatherman.

The heir to the British throne and his wife Camilla gave it a try Thursday, each reading out weather reports during a visit to BBC studios in Glasgow, Scotland.

The sight of the nattily dressed Charles giving a credible performance in the unfamiliar role caused many Britons to do a double-take as he read the lunchtime news weather spot.

The prince delivered a nearly perfect performance.

Palace officials say Charles and Camilla were visiting the studios to mark the 60-year anniversary of BBC TV Scotland and was also part of the pair's annual Holyrood week.

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Camilla, the Duchess of Cornwall, reads the weather on the BBC. ANDREW MILLIGAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Just kidding

"There's potential for a few flurries over Balmoral. Who the hell wrote this script?"

The heir to the throne ad-libbed while reading the afternoon weather report.

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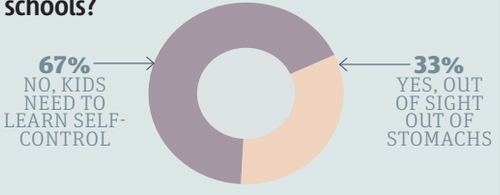
Should junk food be banned in public schools?



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@geokatgirl: Twitter is aflame with all the #CBC-seasonlaunch preview. Who said CBC was dead?

@RidiculousMegan: Creepers come out of hiding as soon as the sun hits. #streetharassment #Toronto

@melodykennett: ahh @KimKardashian is in the big T.O! so going to see her!

@geekigirl: Sad to see people flocking to buy Kardashian crap when there are so many great local jewellery designers in this city.

@EricGagetweet: late, but congrats to the #marlies for advancing to the Western Finals. Toronto has a winning team! #ahl

@janicetibbetts: Lawrence Cannon as ambassador to France — talk about coming out ahead after losing the election!! #cdnpoli

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GETTING IN THE GAME

CANADIAN TIRE JUMPSTART CHARITIES HAS HELPED MORE THAN 400,000 KIDS PARTICIPATE IN SPORTS

Jonathan Hood spends a lot of time telling young people about his own athletic journey. For the Hamilton Tiger-Cats defensive back, sharing the lessons he has learned with others is an important part of the job. "Sports can teach you how to win and lose gracefully and how to get along with other people," he says. "It can also teach you about teamwork, group dynamics and life skills."

When Hood isn't honing his own impressive football skills, he works as a public speaker, mentor and coach. He runs a camp in the off-season that teaches young players the fundamentals of football. He's involved with the GTA Youth Athletics Club and has spearheaded MPower, an organization that provides leadership skills and mentoring for at-risk youth. Plus, he speaks to high school students every chance he gets.

These days Hood is spreading his message about sport in another way, through his involvement with Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities. He's one of a number of elite Canadian athletes who have lent their names and images to a 12-month calendar that will raise funds for Canadian Tire Jumpstart's many sport and recreational programs.

The list of participants in the calendar is impressive. Four-time world figure-skating champion Kurt Browning, champion high jumper Nicole Forrester, Chicago Black Hawks star Jonathan Toews and hockey gold medallist Sami Jo Small were all chosen because of their continuing support for Canadian Tire Jumpstart.

Since 2005, Canadian Tire Jumpstart has helped more than 400,000 children participate in sports and recreation programs. But with one-third of Canadian families unable to enrol their children in sports programs because of cost, many kids are still missing out on the health benefits, self-esteem and camaraderie that participating in sports can offer.

Add to that the fact that budget cuts across the country mean less physical education and extracurricular activity in school. What's more, childhood obesity is dramatically on the rise, along with a general perception that neighbourhoods aren't safe places to play anymore.

Hood believes it's up to everyone in a community to do their part to support youth sports and activities. "You have to look at yourself," he says. "If you were coached and mentored when you were a kid, you are better off for it. Programs like Canadian Tire Jumpstart are opportunities to let young people achieve their dreams. We should all support that."

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JUMPSTART DAY IN MAY

On May 26, most Canadian Tire stores in Canada will host fun activities and draws to help raise money for their local community. Examples of this year's Jumpstart Day events include car washes, barbecues, draws and raffles.

Throughout May, Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities is asking Canadians to donate $2 for its popular red ball in one of two new designs (a basketball and a baseball) to support Jumpstart Day. The One Million Red Ball (OneMillionRedBalls.ca) campaign kicked off on May 4. Customers can pick up a ball at Canadian Tire stores and Gas+ locations, Mark's and Pita Pit locations.

"We're challenging Canadians to raise $1 million through the sale of the balls," says Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities president Dan Thompson.

KIDS GET A JUMPSTART ON SPORTS

Every child in Canada has the right to participate in sports and recreation activities, but many families can't afford the fees. Since Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities was established in 2005, it has helped more than 400,000 children aged four to 18 take part in such activities as swimming, dance, tae kwon do, soccer, basketball and learn-to-bike programs.

"We cover the cost of registration, equipment and/or transportation," says Dan Thompson, the president of Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities. "We also lend support to unique community-based initiatives aimed at increasing access to sport and recreation programs."

More than 300 local chapters across the country partner with such community organizations as Big Brothers Big Sisters, Boys & Girls Clubs, parks and recreation departments, sports associations — even the police. It means that Canadian Tire Jumpstart transforms not only a child's life, but also an entire community.

An incredible 100 per cent of customer donations go directly to help kids in financial need take part in organized sport and recreation. And any Canadian Tire Jumpstart fundraising done locally stays in that community.

Kids get so much more than the physical health benefits of exercise from playing sports or dancing. "They also gain self-confidence and learn leadership skills," says Thompson. "We want Canadians to try to imagine how different their lives might be now if they hadn't been able to do these activities when they were young."

Applications for assistance can be submitted from Jan. 15 to June 1 for spring/summer programs, and from July 1 to Nov. 1 for fall/winter programs. Applicants will be notified by their local Canadian Tire Jumpstart chapter representative if they've been approved or if more details are needed. All of the information is kept confidential.

Visit canadiantire.ca/jumpstart or call 1-877-616-6600 to learn more.

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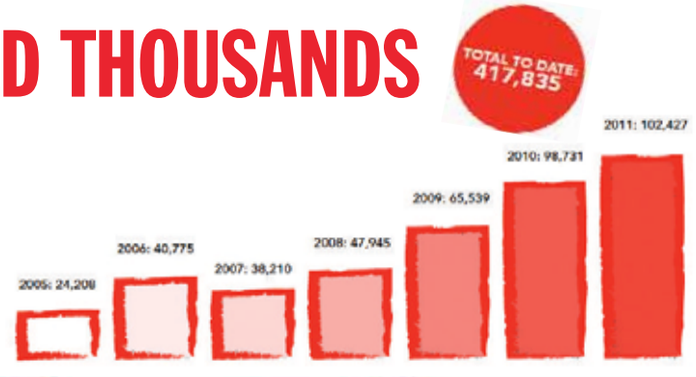
In 2011, thanks to generous donations and fundraising efforts, we helped 102,427 kids participate in 71 activities. From swim club to hockey camp, from football to dance, Canadian Tire Jumpstart funds are reaching the kids who need it the most.



ALL IN THE FAMILY

Herb and Beverly Jackson of Mississauga have eight children — five daughters and three sons (including two sets of twins). Currently, four of the girls and two of the boys are on baseball and soccer teams — all thanks to Canadian Tire Jumpstart Charities.

"I can't say enough good things about Canadian Tire Jumpstart," says Herb, who played hockey and was active as a child himself. After he saw an ad for the program last summer, he went to his local Canadian Tire to find out more. He was thrilled when he learned that Canadian Tire Jumpstart would pay the registration fees so his children could join sports teams.

"My kids wouldn't be in sports without Canadian Tire Jumpstart," says Herb. "It has made a night-and-day difference in their lives. They're getting lots of exercise, they have more self-esteem and they're learning that they can't skip practices because the rest of the team is counting on them to show up."

The entire Jackson family looks forward to the Saturday-morning games. "We get to spend time together as a family," says Herb. "We all love being outside in the sunshine and fresh air."

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Celebrity buzz

Brand returns

Russell Brand is returning to the MTV stage. The 36-year-old comedian has signed on to host the 2012 MTV Movie Awards. "This MTV Movie Awards will be more impressive than The Avengers, and you won't have to wait an hour for someone to Hulk out," Brand said Thursday. After hosting MTV's Video Music Awards in 2008 and 2009, Brand took on leading roles in films such as Get Him to the Greek, Arthur and Rock of Ages, which hits theatres next month. This is his first time hosting the MTV Movie Awards

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The hot flicks of summer

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

Preview. Crouse and Breslin share their picks for popcorn season — Prometheus and The Dark Knight Rises top the list

Richard: Mark, as summer movie titles go, Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter has to be the grabbiest. Either that or Piranha 3DD. Both sound like fun Saturday afternoon matinees, but for nighttime viewing I think I'm most looking forward to Prometheus, the sort-of prequel to Alien. It's Ridley Scott in sci-fi mode, which means we can expect an artistic and creepy space opera with cool effects and a face-hugger or two.

Mark: Yes, I'm looking forward to Prometheus as well. But am I foolish to secretly count down the days to Rock of Ages, the '80s hair-metal musical? I avoided the live show but the trailer looked like a hoot! C'mon, Richard — Tom Cruise in a blond shag rockin' out to Foreigner hits? The art of cinema just doesn't get any better!

RC: I hope Rock of Ages is as loud and proud as the music it covers. Forget 3D for this one, give me Odorama! I want to smell the gallons of Aqua Net it must have taken to give Alec Baldwin that hair! Also likely on the loud and proud side should be The Bourne Legacy. Jeremy Renner is stepping in for Matt Damon who made the character famous. Renner is all kinds of awesome, but let's see if he can duke out like Damon.

MB: Reboots make me nervous, Richard. They work too hard or not hard enough.

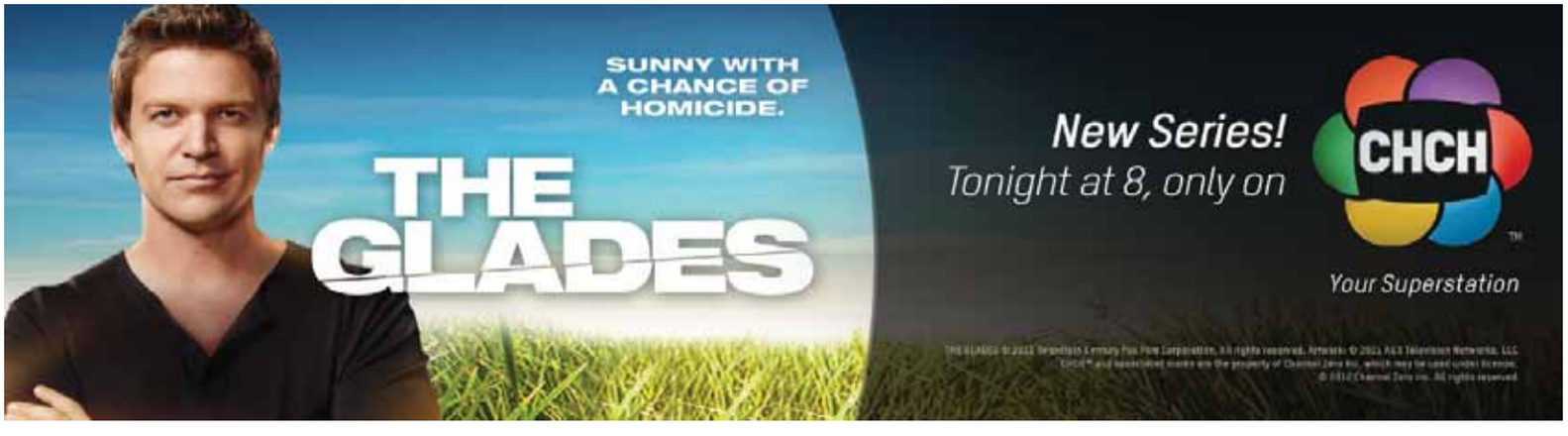
Synopsis

Everybody knows the official first day of summer is Wednesday June 20, but in movie theatres the silly season actually starts earlier. In fact, it began last weekend with the release of The Avengers, the boffo superhero movie that kicked off the balmy blockbuster season. This week the Reel Guys have a look at the superhero stories, remakes, reboots, reimaginings and more we'll be watching during air conditioner season.

Which brings us to Total Recall, one of my favourite dystopian sci-fi films. Will it be better than the Schwarzenegger version? Worse? Will Colin Farrell run for governor someday? Don't know, but I can't wait to see it. Also Ted, the talking, wisecracking, R-rated teddy bear movie. If this were not Seth Macfarlane's movie, I'd totally avoid it, but the trailer is hysterical!

RC: The red band trailer for Ted made me laugh harder than almost anything else I've seen this year. It'll be rude and crude, but I think Mark Wahlberg is an underrated comic actor, so I'm excited. I can't believe we've gotten to this point and haven't mentioned the caped elephant in the room, The Dark Knight Rises. I saw six minutes of this on an IMAX screen and it made my mind grapes tingle. And I cannot wait to see the rest.

MB: It will be the movie of the summer, the box office hit of the year, and turn Tom Hardy into a household name. I'll probably camp out in line the night before it opens.



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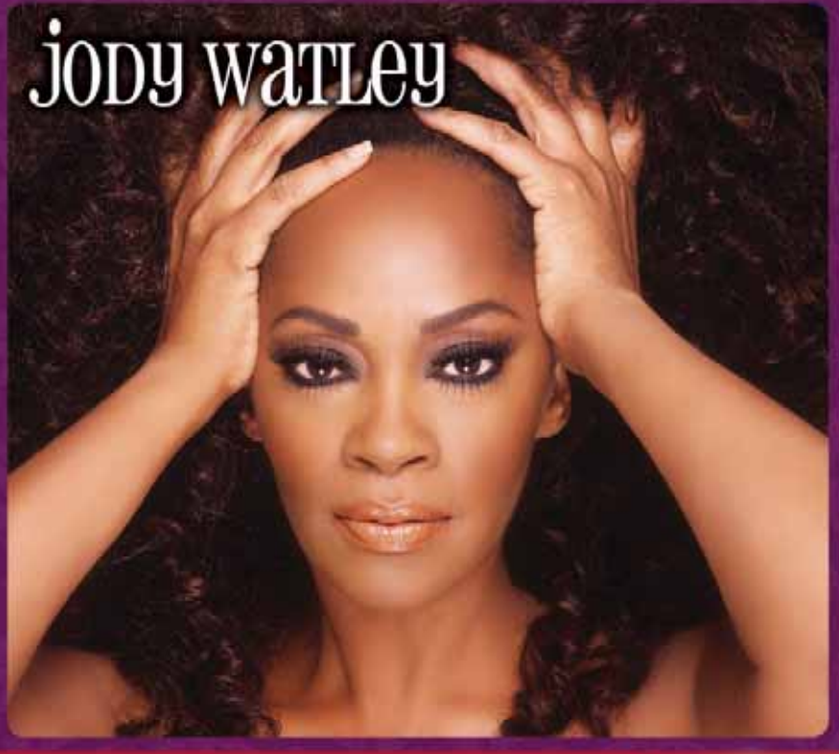

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Sir Ben Kingsley brings a touch of class to Sacha Baron Cohen's comedy

The Dictator. From Gandhi to General Aladeen's uncle — Kingsley is always up for a challenge

HEIDI PATALANO
Metro World News in New York

Ben Kingsley plays uncle to Sacha Baron Cohen's character General Aladeen in The Dictator, which opens next Wednesday. HANDOUT

The man who played Gandhi has portrayed many other heavy characters throughout his long career, but a king of comedy he's never been. Sir Ben Kingsley is the first to own up to this, but it seems worth a shot in order to work with a man whom he mentions in the same breath as Charlie Chaplin.

"The great ones, like Chaplin and Sacha Baron Cohen make it look effortless," he says. "It's not effortless."

In the latest film from the man responsible for Ali G, Borat and Bruno, Sir Kingsley portrays the menacing uncle of Admiral General Aladeen (Cohen), the dictator of fictional African nation Wadiya. Though he's not dropping the one-liners the way Baron Cohen gets to, this English actor brings an air of sophistication to the film.

With any Sacha Baron Cohen project, the humour comes out of how truthful it is. What's the most important 'serious message' in the film?

I am hoping personally that it will reveal in people perhaps some hidden fears or prejudices. ... (Baron Cohen and his creative team) voice certain phobias, prejudices. … It might cause people to feel resentment, not offense, because Sacha's character is saying things that, if they said it, they would be arrested or lose their job, but they are capable of saying those things. I think that's where satire is really valuable. Those that are made to feel uncomfortable will feel resentful that in their enforced political correctness, they're not allowed to be anti-Semitic. 'Like, why can that f—ker up there say it and if I say it, I'll lose my job!'"

You got to spend a lot of time holding Baron Cohen's hand throughout the film. How was that for you?

That is the relationship, you see. I am his uncle, and I know that he's still a child, so whatever street he has to cross, be it in the UN or arriving in New York, or going to a nuclear facility, he's crossing a street. I know he's a total idiot and I've done nothing to further his education, or his well being. It's better for my character, the uncle, to infantilize and keep him there.

Sacha Baron Cohen was responsible for Borat which many have said was one of the best movies of the last decade, but it did not receive a Best Picture Oscar nomination. Why do comedies never win that category?

I think there's this misconception that's completely understandable, that comedy is easy — that we're basically having fun. All we're doing is fooling around in front of a camera. I could talk for years trying to dispel this myth but nobody wants to hear it. Sacha was talking to me about the science of comedy — how he numerically grades from one to ten, the value of a certain reaction. Where it is in the film, in the editing, whether to go for two sevens or cut them and go for a ten and always to keep poking at the nerve ... that prejudiced nerve.

So then would you put this performance on par with playing Gandhi?

My body chemistry changes to the same degree on the word action, no matter what I'm doing. Whether it's a marathon or a series of sprints, I still have to use the same muscles, so I can't really differentiate.

We hear you're going to play The Mandarin in Iron Man 3 — can you confirm that?

Almost — but not quite. I'll be able to confirm by the end of this month.

Why do a comic book movie?

I loved comics as a kid — not so much as an adult, but I really would love to go back to that world.

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Comedy

Dark Shadows

Director. Tim Burton

Stars. Johnny Depp, Michelle Pfeiffer, Eva Green

Watching Tim Burton's big budget cinematic relaunch of Dan Curtis' cult '60s daytime soap opera Dark Shadows is like being trapped in some sort of drug laced alternate universe … and that's a good thing. Burton casts his muse Johnny Depp as vampire Barnabas Collins, who is freed from his coffin in 1972 after being put there by his spurned lover centuries before. How he copes with a disenfranchised America and his ancestors is campy fun for sure. Outside of the surrealism, this is really just a soap opera after all. It's also one of the bravest, weirdest studio films this critic has ever seen. **CHRIS ALEXANDER**

Drama

Edwin Boyd: Citizen Gangster

Director. Nathan Morlando

Stars. Scott Speedman, Kelly Reilly, Kevin Durand

The movie does a good job of showing how Boyd went from respectable veteran/bus driver/son of a cop to a fixture on the Canadian most wanted charts. It's not the romp Public Enemy was, instead it's a contemplative movie more about why Boyd (nicely played by Scott Speedman) robbed banks rather than about the robberies themselves.
RICHARD CROUSE

Drama

Sound of my Voice

Director. Zat Batmanglij

Stars. Brit Marling, Christopher Denham

There's an original, unsettling film inside of Sound of My Voice, which orbits an ethereal cult leader (co-writer Brit Marling) who claims to be from the future. The idea of basing a drama around a charismatic, potentially insane figure is compelling but the film is at once overly convoluted and noticeably thin — its supposedly stunning twists feel tacked on and arbitrary. It's a low-fi science fiction fable that never finds a higher gear — although Marling is excellent in a very showy role.
ADAM NAYMAN

Documentary

China Heavyweight

Director. Yung Chang

Yung Chang's excellent documentary shadows a pair of young Chinese boxers training for international competition. In a country where the individual has historically been de-emphasized in the favour of the collective, the question is who they're really fighting for — and whether it's possible to win either way. As in his previous film Up the Yangtze, Chang skilfully balances observational journalism with provocative metaphors; if the film is ultimately an improvement, it's because its mobile, richly textured camerawork and quick-jab editing constitutes an aesthetic improvement.
ADAM NAYMAN

Quoted

"[Alien] belongs at the top of about five different lists, including best thriller and best horror film, as well. Ridley Scott did so many things right here — from the grimy, lived-in world of the Nostromo mixed with H.R. Giger's eerily seductive design to the perfect cast and Sigourney Weaver's bad-ass performance. I also love the way Scott keeps the alien unseen for so much of the gut-churning build up, then delivers one of the most terrifying creatures ever seen on screen. I still can't watch this one after about 8 p.m."

The Avengers' Clark Gregg talking about his favourite science fiction movies of all time.

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Linklater gets back to his Texas roots for Bernie

Small film. Filmmaker laments the difficulty of making risky indie films in today's movie market — even with a star-studded cast

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News in Hollywood

Richard Linklater returns to his native Texas for Bernie, a darkly comic true story about possibly the nicest man in the world (Jack Black) being driven to his wits end by possibly the meanest woman in the world (Shirley MacClaine). But while Linklater might be a major figure in indie film for the past 20 years, making a small film, he admits, is only getting more difficult, despite the all-star cast.

Quoted

"It's a great time to be a filmmaker and it's ... the hardest time to have your movie seen."
Bernie filmmaker Richard Linklater

This film premiered at the L.A. Film Festival last June. That's a bit of a wait before hitting theatres.

Well, it's the indie world. Without distribution and stuff, just add a year (laughs).

You must be used to that world, though.
I've gotten used to it. That's the new landscape. It's tougher. I feel lucky that I came up when I did, because looking back the '90s and early part of this century will be some kind of heyday when a lot of films got made and distributed that they wouldn't have touched today. It costs so much to distribute a movie now that the bigger distributors can only look for home runs. You could spend a few hundred thousand releasing a movie, it makes a million and it would be seen as a success. But nobody has time for that anymore. A couple of million dollars isn't going to even let anyone know that you're in the theatre.

Production costs are lower, though.
Yeah, it's a great time to be a filmmaker, and it's, like, the hardest time to have your movie seen. I think a movie like Bernie, in the late '90s this might've been a small studio film. Dazed and Confused was a $6 million, small studio film. That was kind of a nice niche, but that niche so doesn't exist anymore. And this film, even with Jack, Matthew [McConaughey] and Shirley, it didn't really get anyone too excited about it.

You use an interesting documentary style to tell this story, with the townsfolk you interview acting almost like a modern Greek chorus.
That thought hit me early on, because that's always the challenge. What's the right way to tell the story that is the movie? And when I had that idea, I was like, "Oh. She's dead, he's in prison, they're not talking. It's what everyone says about them." And growing up in a small town where everybody's in your business, gossip is a social control mechanism, basically, to shun certain behaviours and encourage others. It's a very natural thing that people do. But it's even more pronounced in a small town.

Did you get much resistance from the locals, coming to town to make the film?
It's almost like they were disappointed we weren't more "Hollywood." When I said, "I'm from Huntsville, Matthew's from Longview," they were a little disappointed. "Oh, we're not that big-time?" But then I got their trust, too. I said, "I'm like Scorsese doing an Italian film or Woody Allen doing an Upper East Side film. These are my people, I can do whatever I want." I'm immune to criticism (laughs).

It's been eight years since Before Sunset, which came out nine years after Before Sunrise. Is it time to get Ethan Hawke and Julie Delpy back together again?
Yeah, you're right. It's right around that same time. We're talking. We're on the same trajectory, like five years of talking loosely but not being motivated because I guess our lives haven't changed that much. After eight or nine years it's like, "Wow, OK, 40." Ethan and Julie are now in their 40s. Life is different, kids have gotten older. So it's like, OK. Maybe there's something to express about this moment in time. So I think we're getting there.

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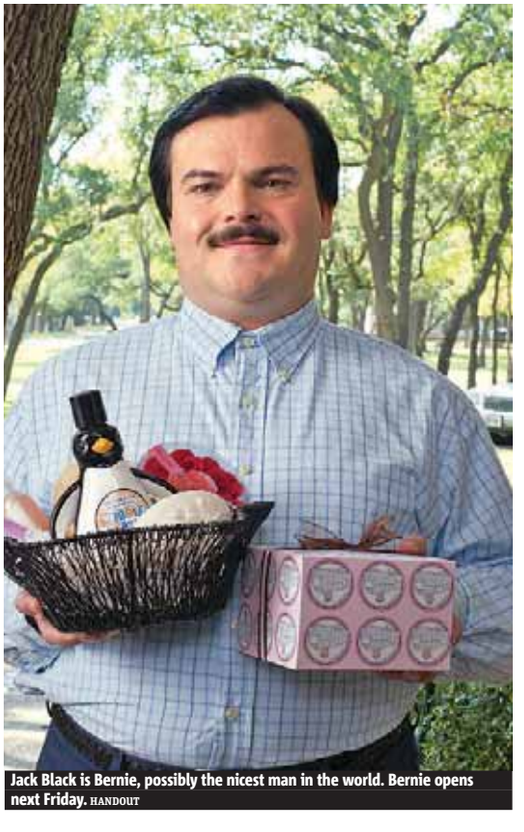

Jack Black is Bernie, possibly the nicest man in the world. Bernie opens next Friday. HANDOUT

The Avengers 2: The dream team

Who will appear in the sequel? We guess which characters, and the actors who should play them. Captain America, Iron Man, Thor, the Hulk, Hawkeye and Black Widow may have made an impressive roster in The Avengers, but there are more superheroes that are up to the task of saving Earth. In honour of The Avengers 2, announced this week, here are some other characters that have claimed affiliation with the Avengers at one point in Marvel's history.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Ant-Man

Powers
He can grow or shrink to any size. Also, he can control an army of ants telepathically.

Who should play him
Simon Pegg. He showed us he can play the nerdy mathematician role in Star Trek, which means he would probably make a good nerdy scientist.

Likelihood this is going to happen
There's already an Ant-Man movie in the works with director Edgar Wright penning the script alongside Joe Cornish. Seeing that Pegg and Wright are frequent collaborators, we think — well hope — we'll see this tiny crusader in the next giant blockbuster. Plus, he co-founded The Avengers team. He deserves a spot.

Venom

Powers
He's basically another version of Spider-Man — except super evil and much stronger.

Who should play him
Jason Statham. Definitely not Topher Grace.

Likelihood this is going to happen
Venom was already in Spider-Man 3, which was distributed by Sony, so the character faces the Wolverine dilemma. However, one could argue that this Venom is a technically different character, so who knows.

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Wolverine

Powers
Besides his accelerated healing process, he's got an adamantium-bonded skeleton. Plus, you don't want to get in the way of his claws.

Who should play him
Hugh Jackman. He's the definitive Wolverine.

Likelihood this is going to happen
Sadly, because Wolverine has already starred in 20th Century Fox movies and the rights to that character is owned by the studio, it's unlikely that he'll be allowed to appear in a Disney/Paramount/Marvel property. But, one can dream.

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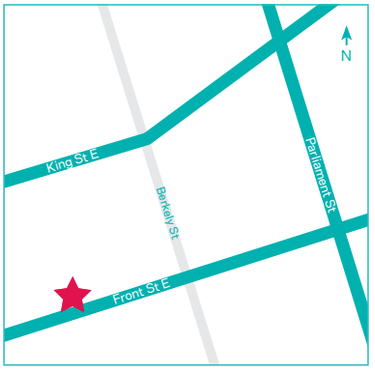

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Siegfried Wagner Opera (STC) Thu 6:30
A Streetcar Named Desire (STC) Wed 7

Market Square
80 Front St., 416-494-9371

The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri 1:05-3:05-5:05-7:10-9:10-11:10 Sat-Tue 1:05-3:05-5:05-7:10-9:10
Dark Shadows (14A) Fri 1:30-4:05-6:55-9:15-11:20 Sat 1:30-4:05-6:55-9:15 Sun-Mon 4:05-9:15 Tue 1:30-4:05-6:55-9:15 Wed 4:05-9:15 Thu 1:30-4:05-6:55-9:15 Sun-Mon 1:30-6:55 Wed 1:30-6:55
The Dictator (STC) Wed-Thu 1:05-3:05-5:05-7:10-9:10
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Sat 12:55-3:30-6:50-9:25 Sun-Mon 3:30-9:25 Tue 12:55-3:30-6:50-9:25 Wed 3:30-9:25 Thu 12:55-3:30-6:50-9:25 Sun-Mon 12:55-6:50 Wed 12:55-6:50
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Fri-Wed 12:45-1-3:45-4-6:45-7-9:45-10 Thu 1-3:45-4-6:45-7-9:45-10 Thu 12:45
The Pirates! In an Adventure With Scientists (PG) Fri 1:15-3:15-5:15-7:15-9:20-11:15 Sat-Thu 1:15-3:15-5:15-7:15-9:20

Revue Cinema
400 Roncesvalles Ave., 416-531-9959

The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Sat-Sun 9:15 Tue 9
Comedian (14A) Thu 6:45
Inside Out (STC) Sun 7
Jeff, Who Lives at Home (14A) Fri 9 Sat 7 Sun 4:15 Mon 9:15 Tue 7 Wed 1-7
Payback (STC) Fri 7 Sat 4:15 Mon 7
The Raid: Redemption (18A) Wed 9 Thu 9:15
The Secret World of Arrietty (G) Sat-Sun 2

The Royal
608 College St., 416-466-4400

Centennial College Screenings (STC) Thu 7
Centennial College: The Donny Awards (STC) Wed 7
Global Groove Network (STC) Fri 7
Jeff, Who Lives at Home (14A) Sun 7 Mon-Tue 9
Jiro Dreams of Sushi (G) Sun 4:30 Mon-Tue 7 Wed-Thu 9:30
A Night With Bill King (STC) Sat 8:30
Salmon Fishing in the Yemen (PG) Fri 9:30

Varsity
55 Bloor St. W., 416-961-6304

The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-1-3:20-4-6:30-7-9:30-10:10 No Passes Fri-Sun 12:05-2:35-5:15-7:55-10:25 No Passes Mon-Thu 12:35-3:25-6:15-9:25
China Heavyweight (G) Fri-Sun 12-2:30-5-7:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 12-2:30-5-7:30-10
Dark Shadows (14A) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40 No Passes Wed-Thu 12:50-3:40-6:40-9:40 No Passes Fri-Sun 12:25-2:55-5:25-8:05-10:35 No Passes Mon-Thu 12:05-2:35-5:15-7:45-10:15
Darling Companion (PG) Fri-Sun 12:25-2:50-5:20-7:50-10:20 Mon 12:05-2:40-10:25 Tue 12:05-2:40-5:10-7:50-10:25
The Dictator (STC) No Passes Wed-Thu 12:40-3-5:20-7:40-10
Headhunters (STC) Fri-Sun 12:15-3-5:30-7:55-10:25 Mon-Thu 12:15-2:45-5:15-7:45-10:15
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri-Sun 12:10-3:30-6:50-10 Mon 12:10-3:30-10:05 Tue 12:10-3:30-6:50-10:05 Wed 12:10-3:30-10:05 Thu 12:10-3:30-6:50-10:05 Fri-Thu 12:45-3:55-7:05-10:05
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:15-3:15-6:25-9:45
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 12:30-3:50-7:10-20

Canada Square
2200 Yonge St., 416-646-0444

21 Jump Street (14A) Fri 4:20-7-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:20-7-9:20 Mon-Thu 4:20-7
American Reunion (14A) Fri-Sun 4-6:30-9 Mon-Thu 4-6:30
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Sat-Sun 1:55
Footnote (14A) Fri 4:40-7:30-9:45 Sat-Sun 2:10-4:40-7:30-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:15
The Lady (STC) Fri 4-6:50-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:15-4-6:50-9:40 Mon-Thu 4-6:50
The Lucky One (PG) Fri 4:50-7:10-9:25 Sat-Sun 2-4:50-7:10-9:25 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:10
Mirror Mirror (PG) Fri 4:35-7:20-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:35-7:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:35-7:05
Salmon Fishing in the Yemen (PG) Fri 4:10-6:40-9:10 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:10-6:40-9:10 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:40
Think Like a Man (PG) Fri 4:05-6:45-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:05-6:45-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:45

Mt. Pleasant Theatre
675 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-489-8484

The Artist (PG) Fri 9:25 Sat 9:30 Sun 7 Tue-Wed 7
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon
Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy (14A) Fri-Sat 6:50 Sun 4:15 Thu 7

Regent Theatre
551 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-480-9884

The Iron Lady (PG) Fri-Sat 8:55 Sun 7
Monsieur Lazhar (PG) Fri-Sat 7 Sun 4:30 Wed-Thu 7
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon-Tue

Yonge-Eglinton Centre
2300 Yonge St., 416-544-1236

The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri-Sun 9:40 Mon 9:20 Tue 9:45 Wed 9:20
Chimpanzee (G) Fri 12:40-2:50-5 Sat 5 Sun 12:40-2:50-5 Mon 2:40-4:45 Tue 12:40-2:50-5
Dark Shadows (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 12-2:40-5:20-8-10:50 No Passes Sun 12-2:40-5:20-8:20 No Passes Mon 1:10-3:50-6:50-9:40 No Passes Tue 2:10-4:50-7:40-10:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 1:50-4:30-7:20-10:10 No Passes Fri 1:50-4:30-7:20-10:20 No Passes Sat 11:15-2:05-4:30-7:20-10:20 No Passes Sun-Mon 1:50-4:30-7:20-10:10 No Passes Tue 1:30-4:10-7-9:50 No Passes Wed 3:50-6:50-9:40 No Passes Thu 1:10-3:50-6:50-9:40 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
The Dictator (STC) No Passes Wed-Thu 1:05-3:15-5:25-7:40-10:05
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Sat 1:20-4:20-7:30-10:35 Sun 1:20-4:20-7:30-10:20 Mon 1:20-4:20-7:10-10 Tue 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 Wed-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:10-10
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri-Sat 12:20-3:30-6:50-10:10 Sun 12:20-3:30-6:50-9:55 Mon 3:20-6:40-9:50 Tue 12:30-3:35-6:50-9:55 Wed 3:20-6:40-9:50 Thu 2:20-9:20
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12-3:10-6:40-10 No Passes Mon 2-5:30-9 No Passes Tue 3:10-6:40-10 No Passes Wed 4:10-8 No Passes Thu 1-4:10-8 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) No

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The Metropolitan Opera: Die Walk¸re Encore (STC) Sat 10
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri-Sun 12:10 Mon 1:40 Tue 12:50 Wed-Thu 1:40
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 2:30-4:45-7 Mon 4-6:30 Tue 3-5:15-7:30 Wed-Thu 4-6:30
Safe (14A) Fri-Sat 7:50-10:40 Sun-Mon 7:40-10:05 Tue 7:50-10:15
Siegfried Wagner Opera (STC) Thu 6:30

Yonge & Dundas 24
10 Dundas St East, 416-977-2642

A Bottle in the Gaza Sea (STC) Fri 2:40-5:10-7:40-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:10-2:40-5:10-7:40-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:40-5:10-7:40-10:05
Bully (PG) Fri 1:30-4:20-7-9:35 Sat-Sun 11:10-1:30-4:20-7-9:35 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:20-7-9:35
The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri 1:45-4:30-7:15-9:45 Sat-Sun 11:15-1:45-4:30-7:15-9:45 Mon-Thu 1:45-4:30-7:15-9:45 Fri 2:45-5:15-8-10:30 Sat-Sun 12:15-2:45-5:15-8-10:30 Mon-Tue 2:45-5:15-8-10:30 Wed 2:45 Thu 2:45-5:15-8-10:30
Chimpanzee (G) Fri 1:55-4:15-6:30-9:15 Sat-Sun 11:25-1:55-4:15-6:30-9:15 Mon-Thu 1:55-4:15-6:30-9:15
Damsels in Distress (STC) Fri 2:10-4:40-7:10-10 Sat-Sun 11:40-2:10-4:40-7:10-10 Mon-Thu 2:10-4:40-7:10-10
Detachment (STC) Fri 2:40-5:05-7:25-9:55 Sat-Sun 12:20-2:40-5:05-7:25-9:55 Mon-Thu 2:40-5:05-7:25-9:55
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri 2-3-4-5-6-6:50-7:50-9-9:45-10:30 Sat-Sun 11-11:45-12:45-2-3-4-5-6-6:50-7:50-9-9:45-10:30 Mon-Thu 2-3-4-5-6-6:50-7:50-9-9:45-10:30
Helpless (STC) Fri 1:40-4:30-7:30-10:15 Sat-Sun 11:05-1:40-4:30-7:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 1:40-4:30-7:30-10:15
Jannat 2 (PG) Fri 3:35-6:50-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:40-3:35-6:50-10:10 Mon-Thu 3:35-6:50-10:10
Lockout (14A) Fri 1:35-4:10-6:40-9:10 Sat-Sun 11:05-1:35-4:10-6:40-9:10 Mon-Thu 1:35-4:10-6:40-9:10
The Lucky One (PG) Fri 2:50-5:30-8:05-10:25 Sat-Sun 12:05-2:50-5:30-8:05-10:25 Mon-Wed 2:50-5:30-8:05-10:25
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri 3:45-6:30-8:50 Sat-Sun 11-1:15-3:45-6:30-8:50 Mon-Thu 3:45-6:30-8:50
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri 2:30-5:15-7:45-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:05-2:30-5:15-7:45-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:30-5:15-7:45-10:05
The Raid: Redemption (18A) Fri 2:35-5:10-7:40-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:55-2:35-5:10-7:40-10:10 Mon-Thu 2:35-5:10-7:40-10:10
The Raven (18A) Fri 1:45-4:45-7:30-10:15 Sat-Sun 11:10-1:45-4:45-7:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 1:45-4:45-7:30-10:15
Think Like a Man (PG) Fri 2:45-4-6:15-7:15-9:15-10:30 Sat-Sun 11:45-1-2:45-4-6:15-7:15-9:15-10:30 Mon-Thu 2:45-4-6:15-7:15-9:15-10:30
The Three Stooges (PG) Fri 1:35-3:50-6:10-8:40 Sat-Sun 11:15-1:35-3:50-6:10-8:40 Mon-Tue 1:35-3:50-6:10-8:40 Wed 1:35 Thu 1:35-3:50-6:10-8:40
Titanic 3D (PG) Fri 4:15-8:30 Sat-Sun 12:05-4:15-8:30 Mon-Thu 4:15-8:30
Titanic: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) Fri 5:15-9:15 Sat-Sun 1-5:15-9:15 Mon-Thu 5:15-9:15
Wrath of the Titans 3D (14A) Fri 1:45-4:35-7:15-10 Sat-Sun 11-1:45-4:35-7:15-10 Mon-Wed 1:45-4:35-7:15-10 Thu 1:45

TIFF Bell Lightbox
350 King St. West, 416-599-8433

17 Girls (PG) Sat 12
The Brooklyn Brothers Beat the Best (PG) Sat 3:15
Cupid's Balls (PG) Sat 12:45
Edwin Boyd (14A) Fri-Sun 1:15-3:45-6:15-9 Mon 6:15-9 Tue-Thu 1:15-3:45-6:15-9
Fat Kid Rules the World (PG) Sat 8:30
La Haine (14A) Sat 12:30
Jiro Dreams of Sushi (G) Fri 4:15-6-6:30-8:30 Sat 6:30-7:30-8:30-9:30 Sun 2-4:15-6:30-8:30 Tue-Thu 2-4:15-6:30-8:30
Mosquita y Mari (PG) Sat 4:45
Re: Generation (PG) Sat 5:45
Sound of My Voice (14A) Fri-Sun 1:30-3:30-5:30-7:45-9:45 Mon 7:45-9:45 Tue-Thu 1:30-3:30-5:30-7:45-9:45
This Space Available (PG) Sat 2:15
West Wind: The Vision of Tom Thomson (STC) Fri 3 Sun 12:45-3 Tue-Thu 12:45-3

West End

Albion Cinemas 1530 Albion Rd., 416-742-3456

Gabbar Singh (STC) Sat 3:45
Taur Mittran Di (STC) Fri-Sun 3:45-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:30
Tezz (PG) Fri-Sun 6:45 Mon-Thu 4:45
Vicky Donor (PG) Fri 4-9:30 Sat 9:30 Sun 4-9:30 Mon-Thu 7:45

Queensway 1025 The Queensway, 416-503-0424

21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sat 5-7:45-10:25 Sun 1:20-4:10-7:05-9:50 Mon 1:20-4:10-7:05 Tue 1:20-4:10-7:05-9:50 Wed 4:10-9:50 Thu 1:15-4:10-7:05
American Reunion (14A) Fri-Wed 9:45 Thu 9:50
The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (PG) No Passes Fri 1:15-1:55-4:10-4:55-7:05-7:50-10:05-10:50 No Passes Sat 10:20-10:55-1:15-1:55-4:10-4:55-7:05-7:50-10:05-10:50 No Passes Sun 12:15-1:05-3:10-4-6:20-7-9:15-9:55 No Passes Mon-Thu 12:30-1:05-3:30-4-6:25-7-9:25-9:55
The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri 5:55-8:30-11:10 Sat 3:35-6-8:30-11:10 Sun 3:05-5:35-8-10:25 Mon 3:05-10:25 Tue 3:05-5:35-8-10:25
Chicken Run (PG) Sat 11
Chimpanzee (G) Fri 3:25 Sat 11:10-1:20 Sun-Tue 12:55
Dark Shadows (14A) No Passes Fri 1:50-2:30-4:35-5:10-7:25-8-10:15-10:45 No Passes Sat 11:40-1:45-2:20-4:35-5:10-7:25-8-10:15-10:45 No Passes Sun-Tue 1:10-1:50-3:55-4:35-6:35-7:20-9:20-10:05 No Passes Wed 1:10-1:40-3:55-4:20-6:35-7:05-9:20-10:05 No Passes Thu 1:10-1:50-3:45-4:35-6:35-7:20-9:45-10:05
The Dictator (STC) No Passes Wed-Thu 1:25-3:45-6-8:15-10:30
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri 2:20-5:30-8:25-11:20 Sat 11:35-2:30-5:30-8:25-11:20 Sun-Tue 1:25-4:30-7:25-10:20 Wed 4:30-7:25-10:20 Thu 1:20-4:30-7:25-10:20 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri 7-10:10 Sat 12:25-3:40-7-10:10 Sun 12:05-3:15-6:30-9:40 Mon 3:15-6:50-9:50 Tue-Thu 3:15-6:30-9:40
The Lucky One (PG) Fri 4:45-7:15-9:50 Sat 11:45-2:15-4:45-7:15-9:50 Sun-Thu 1:45-4:15-6:55-9:35
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) No Passes Fri 12-12:30-2:50-3:20-3:50-6:10-6:40-7:10-9:30-10-10:30 No Passes Sat 11:30-12:30-2:50-3:50-6:10-7:10-9:30-10:30 No Passes Sun-Tue 1:30-2:50-4:50-6:10-8:10-9:30 No Passes Wed 1:30-4:20-4:50-7:40-8:10 No Passes Thu 1:30-2:50-4:50-6:10-8:10-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 12-1:30-4:50-5:20-8:10-8:40-11:30 No Passes Sat 10:15-12-1-1:30-3:20-4:20-4:50-6:40-7:40-8:10-10-11-11:30 No Passes Sun 12-1-2-3:20-4:20-5:20-6:40-7:40-8:40-10 No Passes Mon-Tue 1-2-3:20-4:20-5:20-6:40-7:40-8:40-10 No Passes Wed 2-2:50-3:20-5:20-6:10-6:40-8:40-9:30-10 No Passes Thu 1-2-3:20-4:20-5:20-6:40-7:40-8:40-10 No Passes Fri 1-4:20-7:40-11 No Passes Sat 12-10:40-2-5:20-8:40 No Passes Sun-Tue 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:25
The Metropolitan Opera: Die Walk¸re Encore (STC) Sat 10
Metropolitan Opera: Manon Lescaut - Encore (STC) Mon 6:30
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri 3 Sat-Thu 12:50
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri 5:15-7:30 Sat-Tue 3-5:15-7:30 Wed 3:10-5:15-7:30 Thu 3-5:15-7:30
Safe (14A) Fri 4:15-6:50-9:15-11:40 Sat 11:25-1:50-4:15-6:50-9:15-11:40 Sun 12:10-2:40-5:10-7:45-10:15 Mon-Tue 2:40-5:10-7:45-10:15 Wed 1:40-5:10-7:45-10:15 Thu 1:40-4:05-10:15
Siegfried Wagner Opera (STC) Thu 6:30
A Streetcar Named Desire (STC) Wed 7
Think Like a Man (PG) Fri 4:40-7:35-10:35 Sat 10:50-1:40-4:40-7:35-10:35 Sun-Thu 1:35-4:25-7:15-10:10

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Dark Shadows (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:25-4:10-7-9:45
The Dictator (STC) Wed-Thu 1:20-3:45-7:05-9:25
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Thu 1:05-3:55-6:50-9:20
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-12:45-3:30-3:45-6:30-6:45-9:30-9:45
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:15
Safe (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-3:50-7:15-9:40
Think Like a Man (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:05-6:55-9:35
The Three Stooges (PG) Fri-Tue 1:20-3:45-7:05-9:25

Kingsway Theatre 3030 Bloor St. West, 416-232-1939

The Deep Blue Sea (14A) Fri-Thu 3
Mirror Mirror (PG) Sat-Sun 11:30
Monsieur Lazhar (PG) Fri-Thu 5
Salmon Fishing in the Yemen (PG) Fri-Thu 7-8:55
The Salt of Life (STC) Fri-Thu 1:30

Humber Cinema 2442 Bloor St. West, 416-232-1939

Dark Shadows (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4-7-9:45
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30

East End

Beach Cinemas 1651 Queen St. E., 416-699-5971

Dark Shadows (14A) No Passes Fri 4:10-7-9:40 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:20-4:10-7-9:40 No Passes Mon 7-9:40 No Passes Tue 4:10-7-9:40 No Passes Wed-Thu 7-9:40
The Dictator (STC) No Passes Wed-Thu 7:30-9:50
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri 4-7:20-10:10 Sat-Sun 12:50-4-7:20-10:10 Mon 7:20-10:10 Tue 4-7:20-10:10 Wed-Thu 7:20-10:10
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri 3:40-6:50-9:50 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:50-9:50 Mon 6:50-9:50 Tue 3:40-6:50-9:50
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) No Passes Fri 3:30-6:40-10 No Passes Sat-Sun 12-3:30-6:40-10 No Passes Mon 6:40-10 No Passes Tue 3:30-6:40-10 No Passes Wed-Thu 6:50-10
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 3:50-7:10-10:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:30 No Passes Mon 7:10-10:30 No Passes Tue 3:50-7:10-10:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 7:10-10:20
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Sat-Sun 12:10
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri 4:20-6:30 Sat-Sun 2:20-4:30-6:55 Mon 6:30 Tue 4:20-6:30 Wed-Thu 6:40
Safe (14A) Fri 9:20 Sat-Sun 10:20 Mon-Tue 9:20 Wed-Thu 9:30

Fox Theatre 2236 Queen St. E., 416-691-7330

21 Jump Street (14A) Fri 9 Sun 9 Tue 9
The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Sat 9 Mon 9 Wed 9
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Sat-Sun 1
Friends With Kids (STC) Wed 7 Thu 9:15
Monsieur Lazhar (PG) Fri-Tue 7 Thu 7
Titanic 3D (PG) Sat-Sun 3

North York

Sheppard Grande 4861 Yonge St., 416-590-9974

The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (PG) No Passes Fri 3:50-4:45-6:50-7:30-9:40-10:15 No Passes Sat 12:40-1:45-3:50-4:45-6:50-7:30-9:40-10:15 No Passes Sun 12:45-1:45-3:55-4:45-6:50-7:30-9:40-10:15 No Passes Mon-Wed 3:50-4:45-6:50-7:30-9:40-10:15 No Passes Thu 3:50-4:45-6:55-7:30-9:40-10:15
Bully (PG) Fri 7:05 Sat-Sun 1:20-7:05 Mon-Thu 7:05
Chimpanzee (G) Fri 4:20-6:55-9 Sat-Sun 2-4:20-6:55-9 Mon-Wed 4:20-6:55-9 Thu 4:20-6:50-9
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri 4-7:20-10:10 Sat-Sun 1-4-7:20-10:10 Mon-Thu 4-7:20-10:10
Footnote (14A) Fri 4:15-6:45-9:20 Sat 1:10-4:15-6:45-9:20 Sun 6:45-9:20 Mon 3:55-7:15 Tue-Wed 4:15-6:45-9:20 Thu 4-7:15
The Lady (STC) Fri-Sat 4:10-7:15-10:15 Sun 7:15-10:15 Mon 4:10-10:15 Tue-Wed 4:10-7:15-10:15 Thu 4:10-10:15
The Lucky One (PG) Fri 4:25-7-10 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:25-7-10 Mon-Thu 4:25-7-10
The Metropolitan Opera: Die Walk¸re Encore (STC) Sat 10
Metropolitan Opera: Manon Lescaut - Encore (STC) Mon 6:30
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Sat 12:30 Sun 12:35
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri 5-7:10-9:30 Sat-Sun 2:50-5-7:10-9:30 Mon-Thu 5-7:10-9:30
The Raven (18A) Fri-Thu 4:30-9:50
Salmon Fishing in the Yemen (PG) Fri 4:05-6:40-9:15 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:05-6:40-9:15 Mon-Tue 4:05-6:40-9:15 Wed 9:15 Thu 4:05-6:40-9:15
Siegfried Wagner Opera (STC) Thu 6:30

Empress Walk 5095 Yonge St., 416-223-9550

American Reunion (14A) Digital Fri-Tue 10:20
Dark Shadows (14A) Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 1:15-2:15-4-5:15-6:45-8:15-9:45-11 Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 4-5:15-6:45-8:15-9:45 Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 4-5:15-6:45-8:15-9:45-11 Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 4-5:15-6:45-8:15-9:45
Dark Shadows: The IMAX Experience (14A) Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 4:30-7:15
The Dictator (STC) Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 5-5:45-7:45-8:30-10:30
The Hunger Games (14A) Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Tue 12:40-3:50-6:50-9:50
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 12:30-3:45-7-10:15 Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 3:45-7-10:15 Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 3:45-7
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 1-1:30-2-4:15-4:45-5:30-7:30-8-8:45-10:45-11:15 Stadium Seating Mon 4:15-4:45-5:30-7:30-8-8:45-10:45 Stadium Seating Tue 4:15-4:45-5:30-7:30-8-8:45-10:45-11:15 Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 4:15-4:45-5:30-7:30-8-8:45-10:45
Marvel's the Avengers: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) Stadium Seating, Digital Fri-Sun 12:45-10 Stadium Seating, Digital Mon-Thu 10
Safe (14A) Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20 Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Tue 4:20-7:20
Think Like a Man (PG) Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 4:10-7:10-10:10

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The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri-Sat 10:45 Sun-Thu 10:30
Chicken Run (PG) Sat 11
Dark Shadows (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 2:20-5:10-8-10:50 No Passes Sun-Thu 1:40-4:30-7:25-10:15 No Passes Sat 11:30
The Dictator (STC) No Passes Wed-Thu 12:55-3:20-5:40-8-10:20
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri 2:15-5:10-8:05-11 Sat 11:20-2:15-5:10-

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The Lucky One (PG) Fri-Sat 12:15-2:50-5:20-8-10:40 Sun 12-2:30-5-7:35-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:30-5-7:35-10:05
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12-3:20-6:40-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 2:45-6:15-9:30
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1 2:30-3:50-7:10-10:30 No Passes Fri-Sat 1-4:20-7:40-11 No Passes Sun 1:15-4:40-8:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:30-4:45-8
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri-Sat 1:10 Sun-Thu 12:40
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 3:35-6-8:20 Sun-Thu 3:10-5:40-8:10
Safe (14A) Fri-Sun 12:10-2:45-5:15-7:45-10:10 Mon-Thu 2:45-5:15-7:45-10:10
Think Like a Man (PG) Fri 1:50-4:55-7:50-10:55 Sat-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:25

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21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sat 12:05-2:45-5:25-8:10-11 Sun 1:45-4:45-7:30-10:10 Mon 1:30-4:10-7:05-9:55 Tue 1:55-4:45-7:25-10:10 Wed 1:30-4:10-9:55 Thu 1:30-4:10-7:05-9:55
Chicken Run (PG) Sat 11
Dark Shadows (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 11:50-2:30-5:15-8-10:40 No Passes Sun 1:40-4:50-7:35-10:20 No Passes Mon 1:30-4:50-7:35-10:15 No Passes Tue 1:30-4:50-7:45-10:30 No Passes Wed 4:50-7:35-10:15 No Passes Thu 1:30-4:50-7:35-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
The Dictator (STC) No Passes Wed-Thu 12:45-3-5:25-7:45-10:10
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Sat 1:20-4:30-7:30-10:25 Sun 12:50-4:10-7:05-10 Mon-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:20-10:25
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri-Sat 12:50-4-7:20-10:35 Sun 12:20-3:40-6:55-10:05 Mon-Thu 12:30-3:40-6:50-10
The Lucky One (PG) Fri-Sat 12:10-2:40-5:10-7:45-10:20 Sun 2:10-4:40-7:15-9:45 Mon-Tue 1:50-4:40-7:15-9:45
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:15-3:35-6:55-10:15 No Passes Sun 12-3:20-6:40-9:50 No Passes Mon 3:20-6:40-9:50 No Passes Tue 12:15-3:25-6:40-9:50 No Passes Wed-Thu 3:20-6:40-9:50
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:45-1:15-4:05-4:35-7:25-7:55-10:45-11:15 No Passes Sun

Avengers was the highest-grossing movie last week. HANDOUT

12:30-1:20-3:50-4:30-7:10-8-10:30 No Passes Mon 12:40-1:20-3:50-4:30-7:10-8-10:20 No Passes Tue 12:40-1:05-3:50-4:15-7:10-7:30-10:20-10:45 No Passes Wed-Thu 12:40-1:20-3:50-4:30-7:10-8-10:20
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40 Mon-Tue 1 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1 Thu 1
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri-Sat 3-5:30-7:50 Sun 3-5:20-7:40 Mon-Thu 3:15-5:30-7:50
The Raven (18A) Fri-Sat 10:10 Sun 9:55 Mon-Thu 10:05
A Streetcar Named Desire (STC) Wed 7

Scarborough

Coliseum Scarborough 300 Borough Dr., 416-290-5217

American Reunion (14A) Fri 2:10-5-8-10:45 Sat 2:20-5-8-10:45 Sun-Tue 1:15-4:15-7:05-9:55
The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (PG) No Passes Fri 1-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:30-10-10:30 No Passes Sat 10:30-1-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:30-10-10:30 No Passes Sun-Thu 1-1:30-4-4:30-7-7:30-10-10:30
The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri 12:55-3:15-5:40-8:15-10:45 Sat 12-5:40-8:15-10:45 Sun-Wed 2:10-4:50-7:40-10:15 Thu 1:10-3:40-10:15
Chicken Run (PG) Sat 11
The Dictator (STC) No Passes Wed-Thu 2-5:30-8-10:20
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Sat 1:45-4:45-7:45-10:35 Sun-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:25
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri 12:50-3:55-7:05-10:25 Sat 12-3:55-7:05-10:25 Sun-Thu 1-4:05-7:15-10:30
Kalakalappu at Masala Cafe (STC) Fri-Sat 12:45-4:30-7:30-10:20 Sun-Thu 3:30-6:45-9:45
The Lucky One (PG) Fri-Sat 2:15-5:15-8-10:35 Sun-Wed 2:05-4:45-7:25-10:05 Thu 2:05-4:45-7:25
The Metropolitan Opera: Die Walk¸re Encore (STC) Sat 10
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri 12:45 Sat 11:05 Sun-Thu 1:25
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri 3-5:15-7:40-9:55 Sat 1:25-3:45-6-8:20-10:30 Sun-Thu 4-7-9:25
Safe (14A) Fri 12:50-3:10-5:35-8:10-10:40 Sat 12:30-3:10-5:35-8:10-10:40 Sun-Thu 2:45-5:20-7:50-10:25
Siegfried Wagner Opera (STC) Thu 6:30
Think Like a Man (PG) Fri-Sat 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:40 Sun-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:20
Titanic 3D (PG) Fri 12:55-5:10-9:25 Sat 1:05-5:10-9:25 Sun-Thu 1:05-5:15-9:20

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21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sat 7:40-10:20 Sun 7:45-10:25 Mon 6:20 Tue 8:10-10:55
The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri 7-9:30 Sat 7:05-9:35 Sun 7:05-9:30 Mon 9 Tue 8:05-10:30 Wed 10:15 Thu 7:30-9:55
Chicken Run (PG) Sat 11
Chimpanzee (G) Fri 12:20-2:30-4:45 Sat 12:20-2:35-4:50 Sun 12:20-2:35-4:55 Mon 4 Tue 3:40-5:50 Wed 4:40 Thu 5:20 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Dark Shadows (14A) No Passes Fri 12:15-2:30-3-5:15-5:50-8-8:40-10:45-11:30 No Passes Sat 12:15-1:50-3-4:40-5:50-7:30-8:40-10:15-11:30 No Passes Sun 12:15-2-3-4:50-5:45-7:40-8:30-10:30 No Passes Mon 4:50-5:30-7:40-8:15-10:30 No Passes Tue 4-5:10-6:45-8-9:30-10:50 No Passes Wed-Thu 4:50-5:30-7:40-8:15-10:30
The Dictator (STC) No Passes Wed-Thu 5:50-8-10:20
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Sat 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:50 Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 Mon 4:10-7:10-10:10 Tue 4:50-7:50-10:50 Wed-Thu 4:10-7:10-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri-Sat 12:50-4-7:15-10:30 Sun 12:30-3:45-7-10:15 Mon-Tue 3:45-7-10:15 Wed 3:45-7:05-10:20 Thu 3:45-7-10:15
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) No Passes Fri 12-2:50-3:20-6:10-6:40-9:30-10 No Passes Sat 11:30-12-2:50-3:20-6:10-6:40-9:30-10 No Passes Sun 12-2:50-3:20-6:10-6:40-9:30-10 No Passes Mon 5:30-6:10-8:45-9:30 No Passes Tue 3:30-6:10-6:45-9:30-10:10 No Passes Wed 3:50-6:10-7:05-9:30-10:10 No Passes Thu 5:30-6:10-8:45-9:30
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 12:30-1:30-3:50-4:50-7:10-8:10-10:30-11:30 No Passes Sun 1:30-2:30-4:50-5:50-8:10-9:10 No Passes Mon 4:45-6:40-8-10 No Passes Tue 4:25-4:45-7:40-8-11 No Passes Wed-Thu 4:45-6:40-8-10 No Passes Fri-Sat 1-4:20-7:40-11 No Passes Sun 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:50-7:10-10:30
Metropolitan Opera: Manon Lescaut - Encore (STC) Mon 6:30
Mirror Mirror (PG) Fri-Sat 12:10-2:45-5:20-7:55 Sun 2:15-4:55-7:30 Mon 5-7:35 Tue 4:55-7:30 Wed-Thu 5-7:35
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri 12 Sat 11:10-12 Sun 12
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri 2:20-4:45-7:10 Sat 2:25-4:50-7:15 Sun 2:20-4:45-7:15 Mon 5-7:25 Tue 4:45-7:15 Wed-Thu 5-7:25
The Raven (18A) Fri-Sun 9:40 Mon 9:50 Tue 9:40 Wed 9:55 Thu 9:50
Safe (14A) Fri-Sat 1-3:30-6-8:30-11 Sun 12:05-2:30-5-7:30-10 Mon 5:05-7:40-10:05 Tue 5:45-8:15-10:45 Wed-Thu 5:05-7:40-10:05
A Streetcar Named Desire (STC) Wed 7
Think Like a Man (PG) Fri 2:35-5:30-8:25-11:20 Sat 11:40-2:35-5:30-8:25-11:20 Sun 1:30-4:25-7:20-10:15 Mon 4:25-7:20-10:15 Tue 5:10-8:05-11 Wed 4:25-7:20-10:25 Thu 4:25-7:20-10:15
The Three Stooges (PG) Fri-Sat 12:40-3-5:20 Sun 12:40-3-5:25 Mon 4 Tue 3:30-5:50
Wrath of the Titans (14A) Fri-Sat 10:35 Sun 10:05 Mon 10:10 Tue-Wed 10:05 Thu 10:10

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The Cabin in the Woods (18A) Fri-Sat 8:35-10:55 Sun 8:15-10:40 Mon 8-10:30 Tue 8:35-10:50
Chimpanzee (G) Fri 12:45-3 Sat-Sun 1-3 Mon 3:50-6 Tue 3
Dark Shadows (14A) No Passes Fri 2:35-5:15-8-10:45 No Passes Sat 12-2:35-5:15-8-10:45 No Passes Sun 12-2:35-5:15-8-10:35 No Passes Mon 4:45-7:30-10:05 No Passes Tue 2:40-5:15-8-10:40 No Passes Wed-Thu 4:45-7:30-10:05
The Dictator (STC) No Passes Wed-Thu 3:50-6-8:05-10:25
The Five-Year Engagement (14A) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:20-7:15-10:10 Mon 4-7-10:10 Tue 4:20-7:15-10:10 Wed-Thu 4-7-10:10
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri-Sun

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12:30-3:30-6:55-9:55 Mon 3:30-6:40-9:45 Tue 3:30-6:55-9:55 Wed-Thu 3:30-6:40-9:45
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) No Passes Fri 12:35-2:50-3:40-5-6:20-7:05-9:30-10:20 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:20-2:50-3:40-5-6:20-7:05-9:30-10:20 No Passes Mon 3:40-5:15-6:50-8:30-10 No Passes Tue 2:50-3:40-5-6:20-7:05-9:30-10:20 No Passes Wed-Thu 3:40-5:15-6:50-8:30-10
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 1-3:15-4:05-6:45-7:25-10-10:40-10:55 No Passes Sat 12-12:45-3:15-4:05-6:45-7:25-10-10:40-10:55 No Passes Sun 12-12:45-3:15-4:05-6:45-7:25-10-10:35 No Passes Mon 4:10-6:15-7:15-9:20-10:25 No Passes Tue 3:15-4:05-6:45-7:25-10-10:35-10:50 No Passes Wed-Thu 4:10-6:15-7:15-9:20-10:20
The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG) Fri 2:15 Sat-Sun 12:10
The Pirates! Band of Misfits 3D (PG) Fri 4:25-6:35-8:45 Sat-Sun 2:15-4:25-6:35-8:45 Mon 4:20-6:30-8:45 Tue 4:25-6:35-8:40 Wed-Thu 4:20-6:30-8:45
Safe (14A) Fri-Sat 1:15-3:50-6:05-8:25-10:50 Sun 1:15-3:50-6:05-8:25-10:40 Mon 3:30-5:45-8:15-10:30 Tue 3:50-6:05-8:25-10:45 Wed-Thu 3:30-5:45-8:15-10:30
Think Like a Man (PG) Fri-Sat 1:45-4:45-7:40-10:35 Sun 1:45-4:45-7:40-10:30 Mon 4:30-7:40-10:20 Tue 4:45-7:40-10:30 Wed-Thu 4:30-7:40-10:20

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21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sun 10:45-1:15-3:50-6:25-9:15 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:25-9:15
The Artist (PG) Fri-Sun 11:05-1:40-4:05-6:35-9:05 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:35-9:05
Dark Shadows (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:45-12:45-1:45-2:45-3:45-4:45-5:45-6:45-7:45-8:45-9:45-10:25 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:45-3:45-4:45-5:45-6:45-7:45-8:45-9:45-10:25
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri-Sun 11:35-2-4:25 Mon-Thu 2-4:25
Housefull 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 6:40-9:50
Jannat 2 (PG) Fri-Sun 10:30-1:25-4:15-7:15-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:15-10:15
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:45-1-3-4-6-7-9-10 Mon-Thu 3-4-7-9-10
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) Digital, Special Engagement Fri-Sun 10:30-11-12:30-1:30-2-3:30-4:30-5-6:30-7:30-8-9:30-10:30 Digital Mon-Thu 2-3:30-4:30-5-6:30-7:30-8-9:30-10:30
Mirror Mirror (PG) Fri-Sun 11:40-2:30-5-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 2:30-5-7:30-10
The Raid: Redemption (18A) Fri-Sun 11:50-2:10-4:45-7:45-10:10 Mon-Thu 2:10-4:45-7:45-10:10
The Raven (18A) Fri-Sun 11-1:30-4:10-6:45-9:25 Mon-Thu 4:10-6:45-9:25
Safe House (14A) Fri-Sun 10:40-1:20-4-7-9:45 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:45
A Simple Life (14A) Fri-Sun 11:30-2:30-5:10-7:50-10:25 Mon-Thu 2:30-5:10-7:50-10:25
Tezz (PG) Fri-Sun 10:35-1:35-4:35-7:35-10:30 Mon-Thu 4:35-7:35-10:30
The Three Stooges (PG) Fri-Sun 11:50-2:15-4:30-7:05-9:20 Mon-Thu 2:15-4:30-7:05-9:20
Vicky Donor (PG) Fri-Sun 12:15-3:40-7:05-10:15 Mon-Thu 3:40-7:05-10:15

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Gabbar Singh (STC) Fri 9:30 Sun 4-7
Housefull 2 (PG) Fri 4 Sat 1:30-7:15 Sun 6:30 Mon-Thu 4
Oru Kal Oru Kannadi (PG) Fri 7-10 Sat 1-4-7-10 Sun 10 Mon-Thu 4-7
Tezz (PG) Fri 4:15 Sat 4:15-9:45 Sun 1:30-4:15-9:30 Mon-Thu 7
Vazhakku Enn 18/9 (STC) Fri-Sat 4:30-7:15-10:15 Sun 1:30-4:30-7:15-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:15
Peel Region

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377 Burnhamthorpe Rd. E., 905-290-2401

Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked (G) Fri 12-1:35-3:10 Sat-Sun 11:50
Dr. Seuss' the Lorax (G) Fri 12-1:30-3-4:30-6:25-7:55 Sat-Sun 11:50-1:20-3:10-6:10-7:45 Mon-Thu 1-4:10-5:40
Hans Kloss: Stawka Wieksza Niz Smierc (STC) Fri 6:30-8:45 Sat-Sun 1:30-4-6:30-8:45 Mon-Thu 6-8:30
John Carter (PG) Fri 12-2:20-4:45-7:10 Sat-Sun 12-4:15-6:35-9 Mon-Thu 1:15-3:40-6-8:30
Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG) Fri 12-1:45-3:30-7:10-9 Sat-Sun 11:50-1:30-4:40-6:20-8 Mon-Thu 1-2:40-4:20
Safe House (14A) Fri 9:30 Sat-Sun 9:40 Mon-Thu 1-3:05-6:45-8:45
This Means War (14A) Fri 4:45-9:30 Sun 9:20 Mon-Thu 2:30-7:10-8:50
A Thousand Words (PG) Fri 5:20 Sat-Sun 2:30 Mon-Thu 5:05

Coliseum 10
309 Rathburn Rd., 905-275-3456

21 Jump Street (14A) Fri-Sat 1:10-3:45-6:15-8:50-11:40 Sun-Tue 2:10-4:40-7:15-9:45 Wed 2:10-4:40-9:45 Thu 2:10-4:40-7:15-9:45
Chicken Run (PG) Sat 11
Dark Shadows (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 11:20-12-2-2:40-4:40-5:20-7:30-8-10:15-10:50 No Passes Sun-Tue 12:50-1:40-3:30-4:20-6:30-7-9:10-9:40 No Passes Wed 1:40-3:30-4:20-6:30-7-9:10-9:40 No Passes Thu 12:50-1:40-3:30-4:20-6:30-7-9:10-9:40
Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Dark Shadows: The IMAX Experience (14A) No Passes Fri 11-5-7:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 11:30-5-7:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 5-7:30
The Dictator (STC) No Passes Wed-Thu 1:50-4-6:10-8:20-10:30
The Hunger Games (14A) Fri-Sat 12:40-4-7:10-10:20 Sun 12:40-4-7:10-10:15 Mon-Tue 12:50-4-7:10-10:15 Wed-Thu 12:50-4-7:10-10:20
Kalakalappu at Masala Cafe (STC) Fri-Sat 12:30-3:35-6:50-10:10 Sun 12:10-3:20-6:40-9:50 Mon-Tue 12:45-3:50-6:55-9:55 Wed 12:45-3:50-6:55-9:50 Thu 12:40-3:50-6:55-9:50
Marvel's the Avengers (PG) No Passes Fri 11:45-1:30-3:20-4:50-6:30-8:10-10-11:30 No Passes Sat 10:10-11:45-1:30-3:20-4:50-6:30-8:10-10-11:30 No Passes Sun 11:40-1:30-2:50-5:10-6:10-8:30-9:30 No Passes Mon-Tue 1:30-2:50-5:10-6:10-8:30-9:30 No Passes Wed 1:30-3-5:10-6:10-8:30-9:30 No Passes Thu 1:30-3-5:10-8:30 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Marvel's the Avengers 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 1-4:20-7:40-11 No Passes Sun 1-4:20-7:40-10:50 No Passes Mon 1-4:30-7:40 No Passes Tue 1-4:20-7:40-10:50 No Passes Wed 4:20-7:40 No Passes Thu 1-4:20-7:40 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:30 No Passes Sun 12:20-3:40-6:50-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 3:40-6:50-10
Marvel's the Avengers: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 2-10:15
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Sharpe and the Zeros get a little more ‘all-togethery’

Here. New album definitely more of a team effort says lead singer Alex Ebert

PAT HEALY
Metro World News

There are now 12 members of Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros. Their new album is called Here. HANDOUT

When asked how the writing process differed between Up From Below, the 2009 debut from Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros and their upcoming album, Here, singer Alex Ebert is quick to give credit to the 11 other members of his band.

“It was a little more all-togethery,” he says. “We all sat around and worked on arrangements together.”

Ebert may have just coined the phrase, “all-togethery” on the spot, but it’s quite an accurate description. A few of the songs on Here don’t even feature a lead vocal and are more like group sing-alongs.

“As we became a band over the last three years, doing all these radio sessions, we would sing together in an acoustic environment, really hearing each other,” says Ebert.

Like its predecessor, the album is full of fun, funky folk, but with more of a focus.

“I don’t tend to put out stuff that has a major thematic through-line,” says Ebert. “I tend to do what my detractor’s would call unfocused albums.”

The theme of Here seems to be a sort of reckoning with the evils of the world and finding goodness and spirituality within oneself, independent of any organized religion.

“I would say it’s an immense amount of defiance in the face of what would otherwise create a dejected character,” says Ebert. “Defiance in the will to perceive things as possible, and hopeful and to be able to dance through the murder and pain.”

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“We all sat around and worked arrangements together.”

Alex Ebert
Commenting on how the band worked more as a group on new album Here.

Detractors have also used terms like “hippies” and “cult” to describe the big band of Zeros. Ebert doesn’t mind.

“A cult is a cult until it becomes popular and then it’s a religion,” he reasons. “We do have an ethos, I would say, so in that sense we share some ideas that we tend to agree on, but I don’t think that’s necessarily any different than a lot of groups of people.”

Because of such a long time touring between albums, Ebert and his crew have come up with so much new material that they have a second new album they hope to release later this year. The style of the as of yet untitled album is a departure for the group that became famous for their whistle-along single, Home.

“It’s much more aggressive,” says Ebert, “not angsty aggressive but sonically aggressive. There is some distortion, which we rarely dabble in. If ever there was an album that I was slightly nervous about delivering, I would say it would be this album.

“It’s a little bit outside the realm that we’ve played in, but that’s always fun to do for yourself. We feel quite comfortable putting out anything that we love, knowing that we have these people to share it with, and a growing number of people to share it with, too.”

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Reflections on a life in indie music

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Bernie Finkelstein sounds relaxed over the phone from his getaway in Prince Edward County. Fruits of having sold his True North Records in late 2007? "A little bit," he says, "although it's more about more free time. I've gone from 21 acts to managing just one, plus I closed the office in Toronto."

Bernie is being asked to talk a lot about himself these days with the publication of his autobiography, True North: A Life in the Music Business which starts his time as an air force brat through all his years running one of the most important and most successful independent music labels in this country. True North also had interests in artist management, music publishing and concert promotion.

"I thought I'd better write down these memories so that maybe one day in the future when someone is researching the history of Canadian music, they can find my book on a dusty library shelf somewhere — if those things still exist — and use it to tell the story."

Bernie is concerned about Canadians' short memory when it comes to musical heritage. "Feist was not the first person to have a No. 1 hit on a Canadian independent label. Have we forgotten about what Sarah McLachlan did on Nettwerk?"

True North was founded in 1969, two years before Canadian content regulations went into effect. "You have to understand that back then there was no Canadian music industry. Starting a record label was a very risky thing to do."

Spektor's new album is full of surprises, even for her

Eclectic repertoire. Singer-songwriter says she forgets some of her old songs as she's busy making new ones

PAT HEALY
Metro News in Boston

Regina Spektor would really appreciate it if you could put your camera phone videos of her performances up online.

Not only do those videos help her remember how the new songs she is working out in concert go, but they also help her retrieve songs that she forgets how to play.

"In Florida I had to go online and go to YouTube and figure out the chords," she says of a song from her 2009 album, Far. "I've written so much stuff since then that I've pushed it out of my head."

And as far as the bootlegs of songs in progress go, she says if not for those phone videos, the songs Patron Saint and Open probably wouldn't have even made it onto her new album, What We Saw from the Cheap Seats.

Regina Spektor watches her own live performances online. GETTY

"I got lucky that it was up there, actually," she says.

It's hard to believe that the singer would forget the latter song, because its repetition of dramatic inhalation during the chorus seems so instantly memorable. But Spektor does a lot of memorable things to make listeners forget that for most of her album and her live performance it's just her voice and her piano. In the new song, The Party she purses her lips together to fake a trumpet part.

"When I wrote it, in my mind it was just a placeholder for a real trumpet," she says. "First of all, it's really fun to do; it's a fun feeling, like even walking around the house being a trumpet. If you bring things from their implied state to a real state, sometimes it becomes better and sometimes, I don't know ... you try to feel what's right for the song."

Spektor says her producer, Mike Elizondo, teased her that when she beatboxes she sounds like a drum machine from the 1980s.

"I do a lot of things, like certain little beats and sounds, because I'm a person with a piano and that's it," she says.

Spektor has been touring with Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers for the past few weeks, playing large venues that give the title of her upcoming album new meaning.

"I love Tom Petty so much that I didn't want to be the person that came and their audience didn't like," she says. "But everyone's been so amazing to me."

As for the Cheap Seats title, Spektor says it was in her head before she even knew what the album was going to sound like.

"I've been in all kind of seats," she says,

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Selleck lays down the law

Tom Selleck's still got it. Actor plays two kinds of lawmen, starring in Blue Bloods plus a new Jesse Stone TV film

As Blue Bloods reaches its second-season finale, Tom Selleck is looking ahead to season three.

On the CBS hit drama, Selleck plays Frank Reagan, the NYPD commissioner and patriarch of a family devoted to law enforcement and one another. His offspring include a detective (Donnie Wahlberg), a cop (Will Estes) and an assistant D.A. (Bridget Moynahan). On duty and off, they, along with the extended Reagan family, have each other's back — even if it's not always easy to say it.

"We Reagans aren't real gushy, but I couldn't be more proud of you," Frank Reagan tells his daughter in one of his more expansive displays.

Frank is an upright, reassuring presence for his brood and for Blue Bloods viewers alike, especially presiding at the head of the table for the family dinners that have become a weekly staple of the show.

The role is a comfortable fit for Selleck, himself a family man wed to Jillie for a quarter-century and with a grown daughter, Hannah.

And yet the role poses challenges: How do you play a character who is strong and incorruptible without appearing too good to be true?

"A commander can't expose his weakness or doubt or concern or worry," says Selleck. "I have to show all those things to the audience without showing it to the cops I'm ordering around. When you get inside Frank's head, you realize that anybody with the weight of the world on his shoulders will exhibit flaws that come from dealing with that kind of pressure. I think next season we're going to get inside of him more and reveal more of them."

As the Vietnam-vet-turned-private-eye Thomas Magnum, Selleck knew how to play serious with a well-timed wink. And don't forget his guest role on Friends, as well as such comedy features as In & Out and Three Men and a Baby, the top-grossing film of 1987.

Still strikingly handsome at 67, the strapping, dimple-cheeked Selleck has been busy laying down the law in his recent roles. But he's also something of a funny guy.

"I think humour is an essential element of a long career," says Selleck, "and I miss actual comedy. If you want to tell everybody I'm available for the three months Blue Bloods isn't on, I'd LOVE to do a comedy!"

Of course, Selleck was busy during last year's hiatus. He was filming Jesse Stone: Benefit of the Doubt. Airing on CBS on May 20, it's the eighth in the series of Jesse Stone whodunits that began in 2005, based on characters created by the late Robert B. Parker in his best-selling series of books.

Selleck manages to wring sparks of humour from this melancholy lawman, who, as the film begins, has lost his end-of-the-line job as police chief of tiny Paradise, Mass.

The surface whodunit surrounds a mob-related double homicide, "but the mystery at the beginning of the tale is always Jesse.

"He's a totally decent guy who has a lot of issues, and deals with them every day," says Selleck. But Jesse is a man of few words — words that often leaven with irony the pain he feels.

"He's had a real journey," Selleck says of his character. "Right now, in (film) number eight, he's trying to get his job back and put his universe back in order."

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"I can't sit around giving orders all day. They cast me because I can play bosses. But I have other colours I can play."

Tom Selleck, on playing Frank in Blue Bloods

We had to ask...

Is facial hair standard issue for Selleck?

- **Yes and no.** "It becomes part of your look and it becomes baggage," he says, "but I never had any qualms about shaving it off" (and he did to play Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower in the 2004 TV film Ike: Countdown to D-Day).

Tom Selleck GETTY IMAGES

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Jason Sudeikis GETTY IMAGES

Jason Sudeikis digs into his roots

This is no joke — comic Jason Sudeikis is featured on Friday's edition of Who Do You Think You Are? The Saturday Night Live star heads to Chicago to learn more about the life and death of his paternal grandfather.

Along the way, he makes a discovery about his great-great-grandfather in Pennsylvania. (Citytv, NBC)

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SOCIAL MEDIA PROMOTES AWARENESS

THOUSANDS OF CANADIANS LEARN ABOUT THEIR MENTAL HEALTH THROUGH CMHA, ONTARIO'S 'READ YOUR MIND' ASSESSMENT

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Social media has become one of the most pervasive changes around the globe in recent history, bringing up countless debates on the positive and negative effects it has on society. Yet, channels like Facebook connect billions of people worldwide and have opened a new way for organizations to engage the population to learn about and be passionate towards various causes.

This week, the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA), Ontario has harnessed the positive power of social media to encourage users to learn about mental health, drawing in more than 5,000 new fans to its Facebook page in just a few short days.

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The reason behind this rise in attention is the "Read Your Mind" campaign, launched in conjunction with Mental Health Week (May 7-13), designed to help encourage Ontarians learn about their own mental health.

It focuses on a unique, Facebook-based self-assessment tool (**facebook.com/cmha.ontario/**) that evaluates common issues affecting mental health including stress, anxiety and depression. Those interested in taking the self-assessment can also earn AIR MILES reward miles in return.

"The 'Read Your Mind' self-assessment is a breakthrough initiative that uses social media in a positive way to encourage Ontarians to learn about their own mental health and reduce the stigma associated with mental illness," said Andreas Souvaliotis, president of AIR MILES for Social Change. "We are very proud to leverage the popularity of AIR MILES to help CMHA realize its goal of 'mental health for all' and invite everyone to take the self-assessment and find out more."

The CMHA, Ontario has seen thousands of people take part in the online self-assessment and over the course of the last two days, 4,000 people have started discussions about the topic on Facebook. Because one in five Canadian adults younger than 65 will have a mental health issue in any given year, education becomes the priority pillar in helping CMHA to promote mental health awareness and reducing the stigma surrounding mental illness.

The 61st annual Mental Health Week wraps up Sunday, but mental health awareness should not.

Educate yourself, help reduce stigma and promote mental health awareness by taking the self-assessment online, earning AIR MILES reward miles and sharing it with family members, friends, colleagues and neighbours.

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BREAKING DOWN THE BARRIERS OF MENTAL HEALTH

The Ontario Mental Health Helpline creates a whole new level of accessibility and support!

"I'm not sure if this is the right phone number but I really don't know where to start"

Finding answers when feeling overwhelmed and struggling with a mental illness or trying to find help for family and friends can be difficult when you don't know how or where to begin. The Mental Health Helpline provides information about mental health services in Ontario. The helpline is funded by the Government of Ontario and the service is live answer 24/7, confidential, free and anonymous.

"It's about taking time to truly hear what a caller needs", says Tricia Korbut, Supervisor of the Mental Health Helpline, a service of ConnexOntario. ConnexOntario also runs the Ontario Problem Gambling and Drug and Alcohol Helplines.

Reaching out for help can be a difficult first step. Besides the telephone, the Mental Health Helpline can be reached via email or webchat. The medium may be different but the goal is the same—accurate information, delivered in a timely manner by professionals who care.

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Ontario

Anna Faris is preggers and already wants more?

Anna Faris and Chris Pratt are expecting their first child, according to People magazine.

The couple, who met on the set of Take Me Home Tonight and tied the knot in 2009, have been thinking about kids for a while — and this baby could be just the beginning, to hear Faris tell it.

"Chris wants a big family," Faris told E! News last year. "I would love to have eight. I don't think I could handle it, though."

Anna Faris and Chris Pratt

Robert Pattinson needs some encouragement

Robert Pattinson admits he's been doing a lot of growing up as an actor, and a good chunk of that came filming David Cronenberg's sex- and violence-filled Cosmopolis, the Twilight star tells Premiere magazine.

"Filming Cosmopolis with David changed something in me," he says. "It gave me balls." But before that, he had to conquer a certain measure of self-doubt: "I spent time doubting myself," he says.

"I was working myself up, asking myself if I was good enough." So how did he talk himself into it? "I tell myself, 'F– it! If they want to hire you, go!'"

Robert Pattinson

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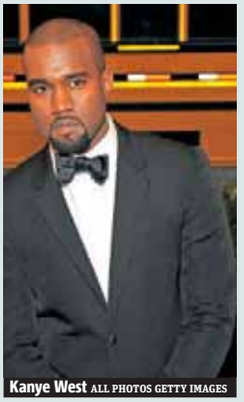
Kim Kardashian



Kanye West ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

We can't let them finish

THE WORD
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When Kanye West and Kim Kardashian first stepped out together in March, we weren't too alarmed. Surely, these two would eventually find each other and combine their powers for some sunbathing-on-the-yacht photo ops.

But now, it seems we could be dealing with something worse than staged summer love: the real deal.

"Kim and Kanye are 100 per cent having conversations about marriage," a source tells UsMagazine.com, adding that West had been interested "for a long time."

Another source — let's call this one Worst Source Ever — says Kim's on board: "They've been friends for years. Kim is ready to give it a try now."

Now, before we go all 2012 here, we really should mention that all of this was started by a quick couple lines West rapped in a new Pusha T song: "I saw you in the club in a white dress/Now I want to put you in a white dress."

For all we know, he could just be talking about drugs here. Maybe sex. Possibly both. People who still go outside after 9 p.m. — tell us it will all be OK!

Is One Direction going in all different directions?

After their lightning-fast rise to fame, the boys of One Direction are already facing breakup rumors, with member Harry Styles' latest travel itinerary suggesting he's on the lookout for a solo career, according to the Daily Star.

"[Harry's] been offered a big solo project, so he flew out to Los Angeles without the rest of the boy band," a source says.

"He's been in America filming something. It may have been an advert or a film — I can't say exactly what — but it's worth a lot of money."

Harry Styles GETTY IMAGES

Styles is in demand

"[Harry's] been offered a big solo project, so he flew out to Los Angeles without the rest of the boy band"

Source

But a rep for the boy band is quick to quash the rumors, saying the trip wasn't for business at all.

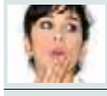
"This report is false. Harry was on vacation in L.A.," their rep tells Hollyscoop.

Twitter

@CraigyFerg
Sorry I haven't tweeted for a while - there was a new Angry Birds app.

@kirstiealley
coming out of my cocoon today....hope new wings take me where I want to go...they always have..;)

@ActuallyNPH
Yet another My Life Is Random moments: Oprah came over to our house today. I made her pizza.



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I'm finding it hard to get sympathy with my I-pulled-a-muscle-on-a-zip-line story.

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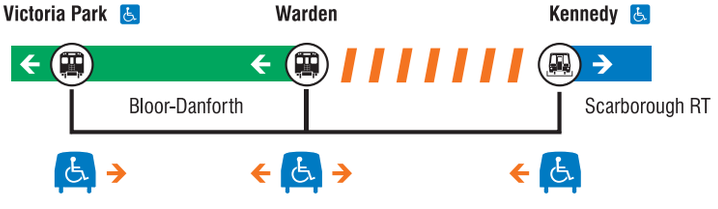

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Liquid Assets

An easy like Sunday morning sipper

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A reader sent me an e-mail last week asking if I could recommend a wine to go with breakfast in bed.

While he was looking to impress his wife on their upcoming anniversary, with Mother's Day this weekend I'm betting many of you guys out there will also be looking to score some bonus points Sunday morning.

Eclectic is the best way to describe a breakfast menu. The fun part is that any early morning tipple should be light, fresh and very easy-drinking — the same flavour profile that loves unusual eats.

Though the selection varies across the country, a white wine made with the moscato grape is a perfect early morning sipper.

Slightly sweet and low in alcohol, they're an a.m. friendly wine style gaining a solid following during the day as well.

I think sparkling when it comes to breakfast (or brunch) is best. Forget the orange juice and pick one with the union of fruit and wine already built in.

Chile's Fresita ($12.95 - $15.99) is infused with the essence of real strawberries. The result is a berry bomb that explodes in the mouth and will add plenty of refreshment to your Mother's Day.

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Classic treat will make mom smile on her day

Emily's Mom's Quick Cinnamon Buns.
Metro's food columnist shares a special treat from her childhood

DINNER EXPRESS
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With Mother's Day this Sunday, I've been thinking about my mom. My thoughts led me to a treat my mother used to make on the weekends or even during the week after dinner.

In an old notebook dating back to my high school days, I found the recipe for Mom's Cinnamon Buns.

These biscuit style cinnamon buns are perfect to enjoy with a cup of tea or coffee with mom or any special person on any day you want to sit back and chat about a memory or two.

They're best served warmed out of the oven or reheated in the microwave before serving.

This recipe makes nine buns. EMILY RICHARDS

Ingredients

- ½ cup (125 mL) butter
- ½ cup (125 mL) packed brown sugar

Dough

- 2 cups (500 mL) all purpose flour
- 4 tsp (20 mL) baking powder
- ¼ tsp (1 mL) salt
- ½ cup (125 mL) lard or shortening
- 2/3 cup (150 mL) milk

Filling

- ½ cup (125 mL) butter, very soft but not melted
- ½ cup (125 mL) packed brown sugar
- 2 tsp (10 mL) ground cinnamon

1. In saucepan, melt butter and sugar, whisking over medium heat until smooth and combined. Pour into lightly sprayed 8 inch (2 L) baking dish; spread evenly across bottom; set aside.

2. Dough: In bowl, stir flour, baking powder and salt. Cut lard into flour using fingers until mix is crumbly looking. Drizzle in milk and stir using fork to combine. Bring dough together and knead gently on lightly floured surface to make smooth dough. Roll out dough on floured surface to make a 14-inch (35 cm) square.

3. Filling: In bowl, stir butter, sugar and cinnamon until very smooth. Spread evenly all over dough right to the edges. Roll up dough, jelly-roll style and pinch seam along edge. Cut log into 9 equal pieces and place into prepared baking dish.

4. Bake in centre of a 400 F (200 C) oven 25 mins or until golden brown and sauce is bubbly. Let stand for three minutes before turning out onto platter.

EMILY RICHARDS IS A PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE, VISIT EMILYRICHARDSCOOKS.CA

This recipe makes 4 cups (1 L). EMILY RICHARDS

Gram-Slaw. Make one granny's salad a family favourite at your own table

When a mother of seven loves her children, she will make sure they eat well. When those children grow up, marry and have kids of their own, the grandchildren yearn for the tasty food that grandma makes. And often each household has its own signature dishes.

This is truly the case with my friend's family, the Hohenadels. Grandma Hohenadel serves up her Gram-Slaw, a simple yet super tasty cabbage slaw that tastes even better because she makes it. When they say the secret ingredient is love, I believe it!

Here is the recipe that she lovingly makes for her family.

I know once you make it, it will be a new family favourite for you, too.

1. Cut cabbage into pieces that will fit into your food processor tube. While it's running put cabbage pieces in and chop to make four cups (1 L). Scrape into large bowl; add carrot.

2. In bowl, whisk together mayonnaise, sugar, vinegar, oil and mustard. Scrape over cabbage mixture and stir to coat well. Add salt and pepper to taste and stir to combine.

EMILY RICHARDS

Ingredients

- Half green cabbage, about 1 lb/500 g
- 1 small carrot, shredded with grater
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) light mayo
- 5 tsp (25 mL) packed brown sugar
- 4 tsp (20 mL) each white vinegar, canola oil and dry or ground mustard
- Salt and pepper

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Trends

Packaged Cold Cuts

Food companies looking to capitalize on consumers' increasingly sophisticated tastes are carving out new directions in lunch meat with upscale options that are pre-sliced, prepackaged and ready to go right alongside the bologna. Some prepackaged lunch meats now come in thicker slices, mirroring the choice at a traditional deli. Herbs and spices also are showing up in prepackaged products, boosting flavour and appeal. And now there are the packages of sliced, dry-cured meats, such as soppressata and prosciutto, which used to be strictly deli items. Meanwhile, producers have been cutting salt and removing artificial ingredients in response to customers' requests for a more natural product.

In terms of national sales, the multi-billion dollar lunch meat business got a bit of a boost out of the recession as more people brown-bagged it.

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On the web

Julia Child taught Americans to love food, and women to take pride in making it

Wonton wrappers: The secret to pork ravioli

This recipe serves eight. THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

1. Tomato Sauce: In a saucepan, stir purée and water. Add onion, garlic, parsley, oregano and hot pepper flakes. Bring to a boil. Cover and simmer for about 30 minutes or until slightly thickened; set aside.

2. In bowl, combine pork, onion and garlic. Add pepper, cheese and parsley and stir until well distributed.

3. Place 15 ml (1 tbsp) of the pork mixture onto a wonton wrapper. Brush edges with water and top with another wonton wrapper. Push down around pork filling to seal and place on parchment paper-lined baking sheet.

4. Repeat with remaining ingredients to make about 28 ravioli. (Make ahead: Ravioli can be frozen at this point in single layer. Once frozen, remove from baking sheet and store in an airtight container for up to 2 months.)

5. In a large pot of water, boil ravioli for about 5 minutes or until pork is no longer pink inside. Using slotted spoon, scoop out onto platter and ladle sauce over top. Toss gently to serve. **THE CANADIAN PRESS/ONTARIO PORK/ ADAPTED BY EMILY RICHARDS (PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE, VISIT, EMILYRICHARDSCOOKS.CA)**

Ingredients

- 500 g (1 lb) ground pork
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) finely diced roasted red pepper
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) freshly grated Parmesan cheese
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) fresh parsley
- 1 pkg (400 g) wonton wrappers

Tomato Sauce:

- 1 bottle (700 ml) passata
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) water
- 1 small onion, quartered
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 sprigs fresh parsley
- 5 ml (1 tsp) dried oregano
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) hot pepper flakes

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Barley No Stir Risotto.
Get a creamy dish without the stirring

1. In saucepan, heat oil over medium-high heat and cook mushrooms, onion, garlic and Italian seasoning, stirring for 15 mins. or until no liquid remains. Stir in barley to coat.

2. Add broth and sun-dried tomatoes and bring to boil. Reduce heat to medium-low; cover and simmer 20 mins. Uncover and cook 20 mins or until barley is tender but firm. Stir in cream cheese until melted and creamy; cover and let stand 5 mins before serving.

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Ingredients

- 10 mL (2 tsp) olive oil
- 1 pkg (227 g (8 oz) mushrooms, sliced
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- 5 mL (1 tsp) dried Italian seasoning
- 250 mL (1 cup) pot barley
- 1 L (4 cups) sodium reduced chicken broth
- 125 mL (1/2 cup) sun dried tomatoes, chopped
- 50 mL (1/4 cup) light herbed cream cheese

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In a pot combine all ingredients and on the stovetop bring to a boil. Reduce to simmer and cook for 10 minutes. Strain and discard the berries; set aside to cool.
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Bristol Yard

British cuisine is taking over the city. The latest in this English-craze is Bristol Yard, a hidden little spot near Christie Pits (146 Christie Ave.).

Serving up some of the best meat pies you'll ever devour, Scotch eggs so sinfully indulgent, and a retro/cottage vibe that has to be seen, The Bristol Yard is a definite must-try.

Kitch Bar

This 2,800-square-foot establishment that just opened up at 229 Geary Ave., is a resto/club to be reckoned with. Focusing heavy on music as part and parcel of the experience, Kitch's menu is like Latin-comfort-food fusion. Tacos, mac 'n' cheese with a kick and the like are amped up staples here, and the long bar is the perfect attraction for imbibing locals.

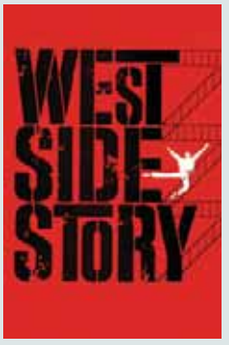
Banana Mafia

The Banana Mafia is a collective of five top T.O. chefs — Nick Liu, Robbie Hojilla, Leemo Han, Jeff Claudio and Jonathan Poon — who are coming together on Monday, May 14 for an Asian Street Food extravaganza at the Amsterdam Brewery (21 Bathurst St.).

Enjoy dishes created by these gourmet chefs (and some beer to pair) and check out each of their interpretation of amazing Asian street food.

Chuck Hughes at The Drake

Chuck Hughes' Garde Manger cookbook recently came out in hardcover, and the celebrity chef has taken to the road, hitting up major cities to promote the feat. On Monday, May 14 at The Drake Hotel, Chuck will be signing copies of his culinary tome and judging an all-out cookie competition. Meet the chef, enjoy some bites, grab a cocktail and get your copy signed.



West Side Story

For more than 50 years, West Side Story has been astonishing audiences with its spectacular music, amazing narrative, and outlandish dancing. This week it came back to Toronto, and will play for a limited time (until June 3) at the Toronto Centre for the Arts (5040 Yonge St.).

Get your tickets now to witness what many will argue is the greatest love story ever told in all its live glory.

Hoof Raw Bar

Those who subscribe to the temple of The Black Hoof ought to take note: The team behind the head-to-toe animal eatery opened up a neighbouring raw bar this week, serving up exemplary takes on every kind of seafood or fish you can imagine.

Hoof Raw Bar (926 Dundas St. W.) will undoubtedly rile up the foodies and impress the West End crowd.

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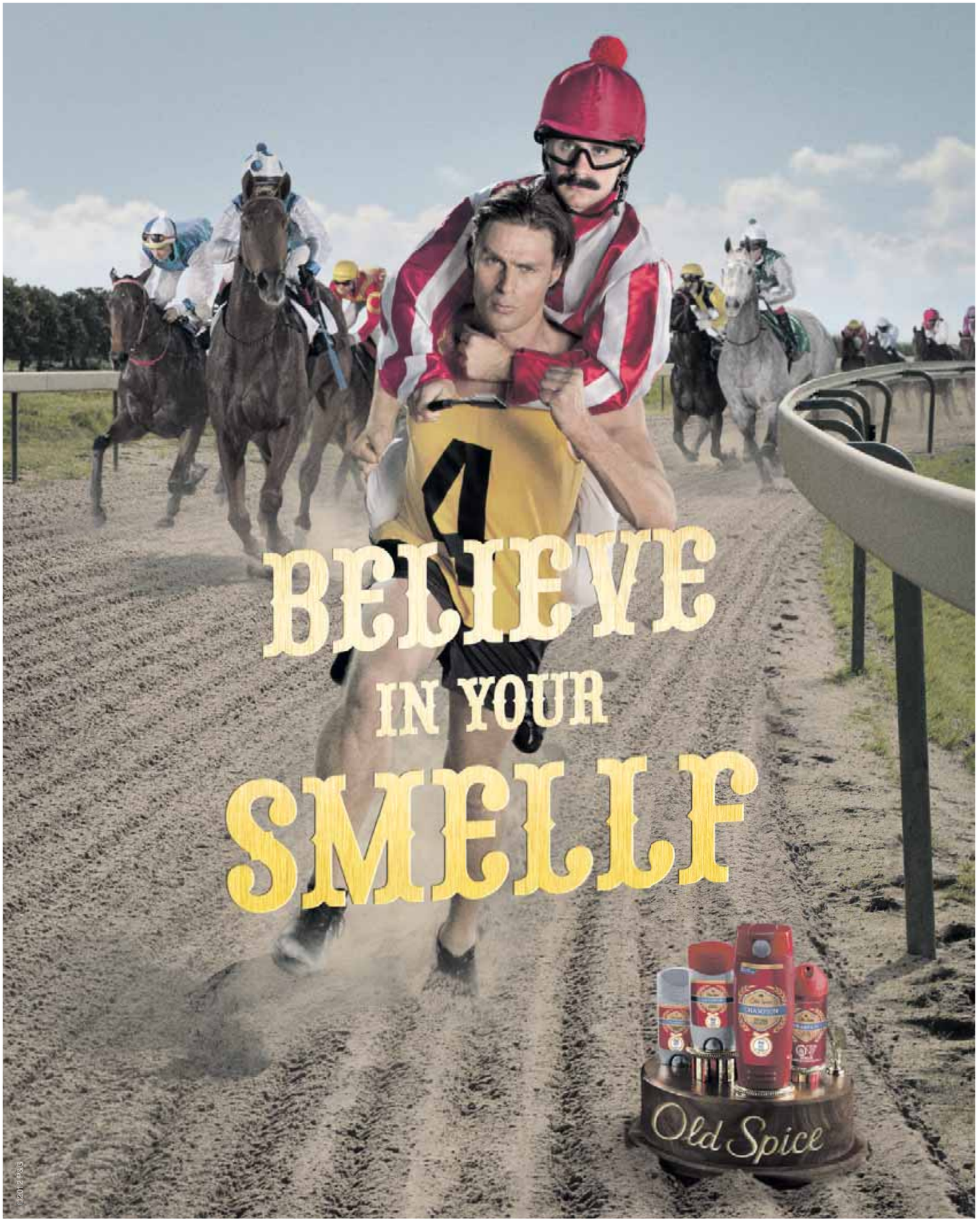
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NBA

Harden named best off the bench

Oklahoma City's James Harden was named the sixth man of the year Thursday.

Harden averaged a league-best 16.8 points off the bench on a career-best 49 per cent shooting this season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MLB

Yankees' Pettitte ready to 'get going'

Andy Pettitte pronounced himself ready to rejoin New York's rotation on Thursday.

"It's time now," he said Thursday. "It's time to get up here and get going."

The soon-to-be 40-year-old will get his chance Sunday when he starts against the Seattle Mariners.

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NHL

"This team, we've just started going where we want to go."

Anaheim head coach Bruce Boudreau, who was signed to a two-year contract extension by the Ducks on Thursday.

NHL

Gainey heading back to Texas

Bob Gainey is returning to the Dallas Stars as a senior adviser, the team announced Thursday.

Gainey was the general manager of the Stars when they won their only Stanley Cup in 1999.

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All bets are off back in the Big Apple

NHL. No clear-cut favourite in Capitals-Rangers Game 7 at Madison Square Garden

Capitals captain Alex Ovechkin skates up ice in Game 5 last Saturday in New York. BRUCE BENNETT/GETTY IMAGES

Crunch the numbers, ride the waves of momentum, and then try to guess if the Washington Capitals or New York Rangers will survive another Game 7 and move on to the Eastern Conference finals.

Hockey analysts will make very compelling arguments — and leave anyone who is listening believing that both teams can't lose the win-or-go-home matchup on Saturday night at Madison Square Garden.

Ah yes, Madison Square Garden, the famed arena in which the host Rangers are 4-0 in Game 7s. It is also the place where the Rangers pulled out a Game 5 win in this series by scoring a power-play goal with 7.6 seconds left in regulation, and then another less than two minutes into overtime, turning what appeared to be a sure loss into one of the most electrifying victories in club history.

You know, the tide-turning win that the Capitals would never be able to bounce back from — even though they were heading home for Game 6. It didn't quite work out that way, and now it's the Rangers who will fight to make sure there is no carry-over in the other direction for Game 7.

"We can't let it," Rangers captain Ryan Callahan said. "We have to put this one behind us. We have to go in Saturday ready to play."

Whoever prevails will face the well-rested New Jersey Devils with a trip to the Stanley Cup finals on the line. The Rangers, eliminated from the playoffs by Washington in two of the previous three seasons, haven't been to the conference finals since 1997. That was three years after they won the cup for the first time in 54 years.

The Capitals have never won it all. They were swept in 1998 by Detroit in their only appearance in the cup finals and have been to the conference finals twice.

"It takes a lot of character to bounce back all the time," Capitals coach Dale Hunter said. "You're going to have your ups and downs, especially in the playoffs. We have a lot of character in that room."

Alex Ovechkin has been a symbol of that. He has dealt with limited ice time in the playoffs, but hasn't sulked. He had no shots in Game 5, and it appeared that perhaps he had been neutralized by New York.

Not so fast.

Just 1:28 into the Capitals' last stand at home Wednesday night, Ovechkin zipped a shot over goalie Henrik Lundqvist's suddenly susceptible glove to give Washington a power-play goal and a lead it would never give up in a 2-1 win that saved the season at least for two more days.

"Ovi has been good," Hunter said. "You see him blocking shots. He's dedicated to winning like the rest of he guys are. And doing the little things."

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"We have to get together here and just play our absolute best hockey of the year."

Henrik Lundqvist, Rangers goaltender

76ers deliver coup de grâce to Bulls

76ers forward Elton Brand shoots over Chicago's Carlos Boozer in Philadelphia on Thursday night. DREW HALLOWELL/GETTY IMAGES

Andre Iguodala made the go-ahead free throws with 2.2 seconds left and the Philadelphia 76ers rallied for a 79-78 victory over the top-seeded Chicago Bulls in Game 6 on Thursday night, advancing to the second round of the Eastern Conference playoffs for the first time since 2003.

Omar Asik missed two free throws for the Bulls with seven seconds left that would have sealed the win. Iguodala grabbed the second miss, sprinted the length of the court, and was fouled by Asik on the driving layup. He made both and 20,362 fans went absolutely wild.

Game 6

76ers	Bulls
79	78

The Sixers are the fifth No. 8 seed to win a first-round series against a No. 1 seed — albeit against a Bulls squad missing star point guard Derrick Rose. Memphis eliminated San Antonio last season, while Golden State (2007), New York (1999) and Denver (1994) also pulled off the rare feat.

In his second season, coach Doug Collins had already led the Sixers to their first winning season in seven years.

Iguodala scored 20 points, and Jrue Holiday and Lou Williams each scored 14. The Sixers won even though the Bulls crushed them 56-33 on the boards.

Luol Deng had 19 points and 17 rebounds for the Bulls. Richard Hamilton scored 19 points and Carlos Boozer grabbed 13 rebounds.

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4 SPORTS

MLB

It gives us a lot of confidence going back home. We won our last two at home, so we'll just try to go home and feed off our home crowd."

Los Angeles Clippers centre DeAndre Jordan. The stubborn Memphis Grizzlies aren't the only obstacles in the Los Angeles Clippers' path to closing out a rare playoff series victory. Blake Griffin and Chris Paul are banged-up heading into Game 6, and Caron Butler continues to play with a broken left hand. The Clippers said Thursday that Griffin and Paul would be game-time decisions on Friday night, although the all-star duo figures to play with so much on the line.

Tennis

Nadal blue after 3rd-round loss

Rafael Nadal lost to Spanish countryman Fernando Verdasco for the first time in the Madrid Open on Thursday, then threatened, along with top-ranked Novak Djokovic, not to return if the new blue clay-court wasn't discarded. Nadal blew a 5-2 lead in the third set in losing 6-3, 3-6, 7-5, his first defeat to Verdasco in 14 matches. The third-round loss was Nadal's earliest exit on clay since 2004. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

On the web

There was a point in Hayley Wickenheiser's life when she was consumed by hockey. But ever since Canada's all-time scoring leader adopted Noah, the son of her boyfriend 12 years ago, she says she became cured of "the disease of me." Scan the code for the story.

Canada ready to step up

IIHF. Date with Finland sure to raise stakes after a quiet start

Beware of the sleeping giant.

Canada's collection of NHL stars might never have been treated to more indifference at the IIHF World Hockey Championship than in the last week at Hartwall Arena, where locals have packed the building for Finland games and virtually ignored everything else.

The team hasn't even enjoyed its normal role as anointed favourite of foreign reporters. That group seems far less interested in tracking Canadian players than normal, making for an unusually quiet start to a tournament that should have the volume turned up on it Friday night with a game against the host country.

"Maybe it's a good thing we're playing Finland," said Canadian coach Brent Sutter. "Obviously, it's a huge game. You're playing the team that's hosting the tournament and you know it's going to be a full house in here. We have to rise to the occasion and step up."

Canada is partly responsible for its current underdog label. After making quarter-final exits at the last two tournaments and falling to fifth in the world rankings, the team has yet to turn in a statement performance in Helsinki.

So far, it beat France handily, edged Slovakia and Switzerland by a goal and lost an entertaining back-and-forth overtime game to the United States.

A game against Finland at this stage of the world championship offers the chance to prove that everything is heading in the right direction.

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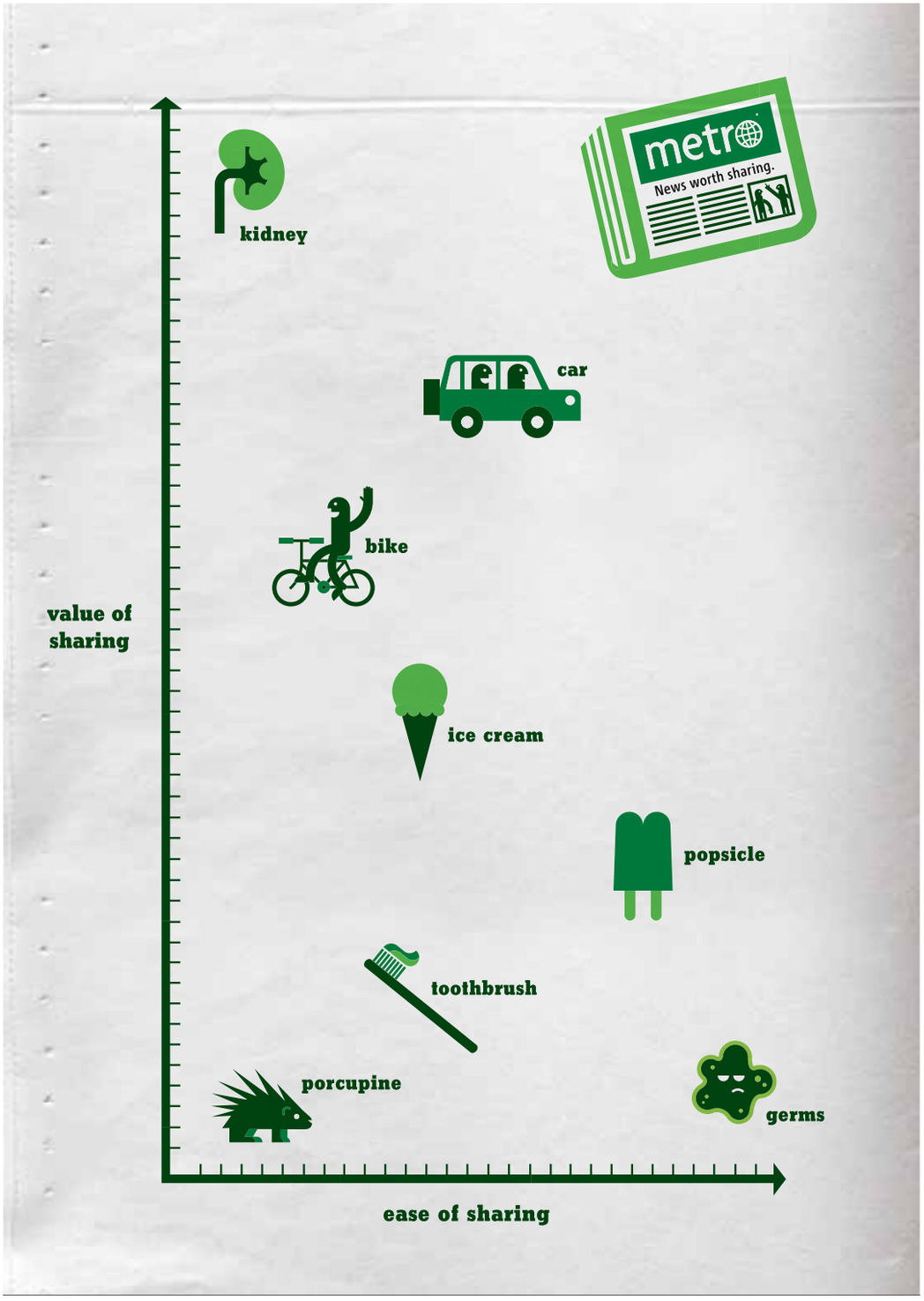
Canada's Ryan Nugent-Hopkins skates past Switzerland's Morris Trachsler in Helsinki on Wednesday. MARTTI KAINULAINEN, LEHTIKUVA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



MLB. Yankees' Cashman: Clemens asked for McNamee to be hired

Injured and defeated in a playoff game against the Boston Red Sox, Roger Clemens asked for the man who could "push his buttons." He asked for Brian McNamee.

Brian Cashman, the general manager of the New York Yankees, recalled that moment Thursday in the perjury trial of the 11-time all-star pitcher. It was Game 3 of the ALCS in 1999. Clemens had allowed five runs before leaving after two innings with a bum leg. He had struggled through what would be the worst season of his 24-year career, when it came to his earned run average.

Cashman said he went to the visitor's clubhouse at Fenway Park and found Clemens with ice on his leg and frustration on his face.

"He talked about how he clicked with Brian McNamee," Cashman said. "He knew his body. Brian knew how to train him, push the right buttons on him."

McNamee was hired by the Yankees as an assistant strength and conditioning coach the following year at a salary of $30,000 US, but as Cashman put it: "His duties were to train Roger Clemens."

McNamee, who is expected to testify next week, has said he injected Clemens with steroids and human growth hormone during the 1998, 2000, and 2001 major-league seasons. Clemens is on trial for perjury, based on his testimony to Congress in 2008 that he never used either substance.

As the trial reached the end of its fourth week, it finally began to gravitate toward its key witness. McNamee is expected to testify next week, perhaps as early as Monday. The government's case hinges on his credibility.

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Toronto connection

- Before joining the Yankees, McNamee had previously worked with Clemens when both were with the Toronto Blue Jays, where Clemens won two Cy Young Awards in two seasons.

Roger Clemens leaves court in Washington D.C. last week. GETTY IMAGES FILE

NBA

'Birdman' banned after police search

Denver Nuggets centre Chris "Birdman" Andersen has been excused indefinitely from all team-related activities after Douglas County sheriff's deputies searched his home Thursday as part of an investigation of the Internet Crimes Against Children unit.

Andersen has not been arrested and police said no arrest warrant was issued.

The department began investigating Andersen in February after receiving information from a law enforcement agency in California. Sheriff's spokesman Ron Hanavan declined to release details, including the nature of any pending charges, citing an ongoing investigation.

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Chris Andersen GETTY IMAGES

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	20	12	.625	—
Tampa Bay	20	12	.625	—
New York	17	14	.548	2½
Toronto	17	14	.548	2½
Boston	12	18	.400	7

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	17	13	.567	—
Detroit	15	15	.500	2
Chicago	15	17	.469	3
Kansas City	11	19	.367	6
Minnesota	8	22	.267	9

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	21	11	.656	—
Oakland	16	15	.516	4½
Seattle	15	18	.455	6½
Los Angeles	14	18	.438	7

Yesterday's results
Baltimore 6-3 Texas 5-7
N.Y. Yankees 5 Tampa Bay 3
Cleveland at Boston
Toronto at Minnesota
Detroit at Oakland
Wednesday's results
Toronto 5 Oakland 2
Chicago White Sox 8 Cleveland 1
Kansas City 4 Boston 3
L.A. Angels 6 Minnesota 2
Seattle 2 Detroit 1
Tampa Bay 4 N.Y. Yankees 1
Texas at Baltimore (ppd., rain)
Tonight's games — All Times Eastern
Seattle (F.Hernandez 3-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 2-4), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Hellickson 3-0) at Baltimore (Eveland 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Jimenez 3-2) at Boston (Buchholz 3-1), 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (C.Wilson 4-2) at Texas (Darvish 4-1), 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City (F.Paulino 1-0) at Chicago White Sox (Floyd 2-3), 8:10 p.m.
Toronto (Drabek 2-3) at Minnesota (Blackburn 0-4), 8:10 p.m.
Detroit (Porcello 3-2) at Oakland (Milone 4-2), 10:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	19	12	.613	—
Atlanta	19	13	.594	½
New York	18	13	.581	1
Miami	16	15	.516	3
Philadelphia	14	18	.438	5½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	20	11	.645	—
Cincinnati	16	14	.533	3½
Houston	14	17	.452	6
Pittsburgh	14	17	.452	6
Chicago	13	18	.419	7
Milwaukee	13	18	.419	7

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	20	11	.645	—
San Francisco	15	16	.484	5
Arizona	14	18	.438	6½
Colorado	13	17	.433	6½
San Diego	11	21	.344	9½

Last night's result
Washington 4 Pittsburgh 2
Wednesday's results
Chicago Cubs 1 Atlanta 0
Cincinnati 2 Milwaukee 1
Colorado 6 San Diego 2
L.A. Dodgers 6 San Francisco 2
Miami 5 Houston 3 (12 innings)
N.Y. Mets 10 Philadelphia 6
Pittsburgh 4 Washington 2
St. Louis 7 Arizona 2
Tonight's games — All Times Eastern
Houston (Norris 2-1) at Pittsburgh (Ja.McDonald 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Richard 1-4) at Philadelphia (Worley 2-2), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (J.Santana 1-2) at Miami (Buehrle 2-4), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (G.Gonzalez 3-1) at Cincinnati (Leake 0-4), 7:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Garza 2-1) at Milwaukee (Wolf 2-3), 8:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Minor 2-2) at St. Louis (J.Garcia 2-2), 8:15 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 5-1) at Arizona (Corbin 1-1), 9:40 p.m.
Colorado (Moyer 1-2) at L.A. Dodgers (Capuano 4-0), 10:10 p.m.

GOLF

PGA PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

At Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.
Par 72
First Round

Ian Poulter	34-31—65
Martin Laird	33-32—65
Blake Adams	31-35—66
Kevin Na	37-30—67
Ben Crane	33-34—67
Michael Thompson	35-33—68
Harrison Frazar	33-35—68
Matt Kuchar	34-34—68
Kevin Stadler	35-33—68
Jhonattan Vegas	34-34—68
Jonathan Byrd	33-35—68
Adam Scott	33-35—68
Bill Haas	35-33—68
Ben Curtis	33-35—68
Brian Davis	34-34—68
Sang-Moon Bae	34-34—68
Pat Perez	36-33—69
Kris Blanks	34-35—69
Arjun Atwal	34-35—69
Padraig Harrington	35-34—69
Sean O'Hair	36-33—69
David Toms	35-34—69
David Hearn	**35-34—69**
Brendon de Jonge	34-35—69
Johnson Wagner	32-37—69
Ryan Moore	34-35—69
J.J. Killeen	32-37—69
Tom Gillis	33-37—70
Geoff Ogilvy	33-37—70
George McNeill	34-36—70
Jeff Maggert	35-35—70
John Merrick	37-33—70
Tim Herron	35-35—70
Zach Johnson	34-36—70
Robert Karlsson	36-34—70
Harris English	35-35—70
Graham DeLaet	**36-35—71**
Brian Gay	38-33—71
Nick Watney	34-37—71
Tim Clark	34-37—71
Louis Oosthuizen	36-35—71
Carl Pettersson	37-34—71
Chris Kirk	35-36—71
Henrik Stenson	35-36—71
J.J. Henry	35-36—71
Rod Pampling	33-38—71
Josh Teater	38-33—71
Jimmy Walker	34-37—71
Bo Van Pelt	32-39—71
Charlie Wi	37-34—71
Fredrik Jacobson	36-35—71

NHL PLAYOFFS

STANLEY CUP

CONFERENCE SEMI-FINALS

(Best-of-7)
All Times Eastern

EASTERN CONFERENCE
N.Y. RANGERS (1) VS. WASHINGTON (7)
(Series tied 3-3)
Last night's result
Washington 2 N.Y. Rangers 1
Saturday's game
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, , 7:30 p.m.
PHILADELPHIA (5) VS. NEW JERSEY (6)
(New Jersey wins series 4-1)
Tuesday's result
New Jersey 3 Philadelphia 1

WESTERN CONFERENCE
ST. LOUIS (2) VS. LOS ANGELES (8)
(Los Angeles wins series 4-0)
PHOENIX (3) VS. NASHVILLE (4)
(Phoenix wins series 4-1)
Monday's result
Phoenix 2 Nashville 1

CONFERENCE FINALS

(Best-of-7)

EASTERN CONFERENCE
NEW JERSEY (6) VS. N.Y. RANGERS OR WASHINGTON
Monday, May 14
New Jersey at N.Y. Rangers **or** Washington at New Jersey, 8 p.m.
Wednesday, May 16
New Jersey at N.Y. Rangers **or** Washington at New Jersey, 8 p.m.
Remainder of Schedule TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE
PHOENIX (3) VS. LOS ANGELES (8)
Sunday's game
Los Angeles at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, May 15
Los Angeles at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Remainder of Schedule TBA

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Giroux, Pha	8	9	17
Briere, Pha	8	5	13
Kovalchuk, NJ	5	7	12
Brown, LA	6	5	11
McDonald, StL	5	5	10
B.Richards, NYR	5	5	10

VOLLEYBALL

NORCECA MEN'S OLYMPIC QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT

At Long Beach, Calif.
Last night's results
Quarter-finals
Cuba vs. Trinidad & Tobago
Mexico vs. Puerto Rico
Wednesday's results
Canada def. Cuba, 3-0 (25-21, 25-17, 25-21)
Puerto Rico def. Dominican Republic, 3-0 (25-15, 25-18, 25-16)
Trinidad & Tobago def. Costa Rica, 3-0 (25-18, 25-23, 25-19)
U.S. def. Mexico, 3-0 (25-23, 25-19, 25-14)
Today's matches — All Times Eastern
Semifinals
Canada vs. Quarter-final winner, 9 or 11 p.m.
U.S. vs. Quarter-final winner, 9 or 11 p.m.
Tomorrow's matches
Third Place
Semifinal losers, 8 p.m.
Championship (winner earns Olympic berth)
Semifinal winners, 11 p.m.

HOCKEY

IIHF MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

At Helsinki and Stockholm
PRELIMINARY ROUND

GROUP A

	GP	W	OTW	OTL	L	GF	GA	Pt
Finland	4	4	0	0	0	14	3	12
Canada	**4**	**3**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**17**	**11**	**10**
U.S.	4	2	1	0	1	19	13	8
Slovakia	4	2	0	0	2	10	8	6
Switzerland	4	2	0	0	2	12	11	6
Belarus	4	1	0	0	3	8	11	3
France	4	1	0	0	3	11	24	3
Kazakhstan	4	0	0	0	4	8	18	0

GROUP B

	GP	W	OTW	OTL	L	GF	GA	Pt
Sweden	4	4	0	0	0	18	8	12
Russia	4	4	0	0	0	14	5	12
Czech Republic	4	2	1	0	1	10	8	8
Latvia	4	2	0	0	2	11	10	6
Norway	4	1	0	1	2	12	13	4
Germany	4	1	0	0	3	7	10	3
Italy	4	0	1	0	3	6	17	2
Denmark	4	0	0	1	3	8	15	1

Note: Three points for a regulation win, two for an overtime win and one for an overtime loss.
Yesterday's results
At Helsinki — Finland 7 France 1
U.S. 5 Belarus 3
At Stockholm — Czech Republic 3 Latvia 1
Russia 3 Denmark 1
Today's games — All Times Eastern
At Helsinki — Kazakhstan vs. U.S., 9:15 a.m.
Finland vs. **Canada**, 1:15 p.m.
At Stockholm
Italy vs. Czech Republic, 10:15 a.m.
Russia vs. Sweden, 2:15 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
At Helsinki — Slovakia vs. Belarus, 5:15 a.m.
Switzerland vs. France, 9;15 a.m.
Kazakhstan vs. **Canada**, 1:15 p.m.
At Stockholm — Norway vs. Latvia, 6:15 a.m.
Germany vs. Denmark, 10:15 a.m.
Italy vs. Sweden, 2:15 p.m.
Sunday's games
At Helsinki — Finland vs. U.S., 9;15 a.m.
Switzerland vs. Slovakia, 1:15 p.m.
At Stockholm
Russia vs. Czech Republic, 10:15 a.m.
Germany vs. Norway, 2:15 p.m.

TENNIS

ATP-WTA MADRID OPEN

At Madrid, Spain
Yesterday's results
Men
Singles — Third Round
Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Stanislas Wawrinka, Switzerland, 7-6 (5), 6-4.
Fernando Verdasco (15), Spain, def. Rafael Nadal (2), Spain, 6-3, 3-6, 7-5.
Roger Federer (3), Switzerland, def. Richard Gasquet (14), France, 6-3, 6-2.
Alexandr Dolgopolov (16), Ukraine, def. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (4), France, 7-5, 3-6, 7-6 (2).
David Ferrer (5), Spain, def. Nicolas Almagro (11), Spain, 7-6 (5), 3-6, 7-6 (8).
Doubles — Second Round
Max Mirnyi, Belarus, and **Daniel Nestor (2), Toronto**, def. David Marrero and Fernando Verdasco, Spain, 6-3, 7-6 (4).
Women
Singles — Third Round
Maria Sharapova (2), Russia, def. Lucie Safarova, Czech Republic (walkover).
Agnieszka Radwanska (4), Poland, def. Roberta Vinci, Italy, 7-6 (1), 6-4.
Serena Williams (9), U.S., def. Caroline Wozniacki (6), Denmark, 1-6, 6-3, 6-2.

RBC CUP

CANADIAN JR. A CHAMPIONSHIP

At Humboldt, Sask.
Round Robin

	GP	W	L	GF	GA	Pt
x-Humboldt	3	3	0	10	3	6
x-Penticton	4	2	2	8	7	4
x-Soo	4	2	2	12	12	4
Portage	3	1	2	6	10	2
Woodstock	4	1	3	10	11	2

x — clinched playoff berth.
Yesterday's results
Soo 7 Woodstock 4
Portage vs. Humboldt
End of Round Robin
Wednesday's result
Penticton 3 Portage 1

NBA PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE QUARTER-FINALS

(Best-of-7)
All Times Eastern

EASTERN CONFERENCE
CHICAGO (1) VS. PHILADELPHIA (8)
(Philadelphia wins series 4-2)
Last night's result
Philadelphia 79 Chicago 78
MIAMI (2) VS. NEW YORK (7)
(Miami wins series 4-1)
Wednesday's result
Miami 106 New York 94
INDIANA (3) VS. ORLANDO (6)
(Indiana wins series 4-1)
BOSTON (4) VS. ATLANTA (5)
(Boston leads series 3-2)
Last night's result
Atlanta at Boston
Tomorrow's game
x-Boston at Atlanta, TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE
SAN ANTONIO (1) VS. UTAH (8)
(San Antonio wins series 4-0)
OKLAHOMA CITY (2) VS. DALLAS (7)
(Oklahoma City wins series 4-0)
L.A. LAKERS (3) VS. DENVER (6)
(L.A. Lakers lead series 3-2)
Last night's result
L.A. Lakers at Denver
Tomorrow's game
x-Denver at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
MEMPHIS (4) VS. L.A. CLIPPERS (5)
(L.A. Clippers lead series 3-2)
Wednesday's result
Memphis 92 L.A. Clippers 80
Tonight's game
Memphis at L.A. Clippers, 9 or 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
x-L.A. Clippers at Memphis, TBA
x — played only if necessary.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Bryant, LAL	5	57	30	156	31.2
James, Mia	5	43	46	139	27.8
Anthony, NY	5	52	31	139	27.8
Nowitzki, Dal	4	34	38	107	26.8
Durant, OkC	4	35	27	106	26.5
Paul, LAC	5	38	30	113	22.6
Westbrook, OkC	4	34	17	89	22.3
Granger, Ind	5	40	13	107	21.4
Wade, Mia	5	43	17	105	21.0
Parker, SA	4	30	23	84	21.0

Not including last night's games

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Kansas City	9	7	2	0	12	5	21
New York	10	6	3	1	20	14	19
D.C. United	11	5	3	3	20	15	18
Chicago	8	3	2	3	9	9	12
Montreal	10	3	5	2	11	15	11
New England	9	3	6	0	8	12	9
Houston	7	2	3	2	7	9	8
Columbus	8	2	4	2	6	10	8
Philadelphia	8	2	5	1	5	9	7
Toronto	8	0	8	0	6	18	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Real Salt Lake	12	7	3	2	18	12	23
Seattle	9	7	1	1	13	3	22
San Jose	10	7	2	1	21	11	22
Vancouver	9	5	2	2	9	7	17
Colorado	10	5	5	0	15	12	15
Dallas	11	3	5	3	10	16	12
Los Angeles	9	3	5	1	11	14	10
Chivas USA	9	3	6	0	5	11	9
Portland	9	2	5	2	9	13	8

Wednesday's results
New York 1 Houston 0
Chicago 0 Real Salt Lake 0
Seattle 2 Dallas 0
Tomorrow's games — All Times Eastern
Los Angeles at Montreal, 4 p.m.
D.C. United at Houston, 4:30 p.m.
Dallas at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at New England, 7:30 p.m.
Kansas City at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Real Salt Lake at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Sunday's games
New York at Philadelphia, 12:30 p.m.
Chivas USA at San Jose, 7 p.m.

AMWAY CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

(WINNER QUALIFIES FOR CONCACAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE)
SEMIFINALS — SECOND LEG
Last night's results
Toronto 2 Montreal 0
(Toronto advances on 2-0 aggregate)
Vancouver 3 Edmonton 1
(Vancouver advances 3-1)

CONCACAF WOMEN'S UNDER-17 CHAMPIONSHIP

Yesterday's results
Semifinals
Canada 1 Mexico 0
U.S. 7 Panama 0
Tomorrow's games
Third Place
Panama vs. Mexico, 3:30 p.m.
Championship (winner earns
U.S. vs. **Canada**, 6:30 p.m.

GERMANY

BUNDESLIGA

PROMOTION-RELEGATION PLAYOFF
First Leg
Hertha Berlin 1 Fortuna Duesseldorf 2

LACROSSE

NLL PLAYOFFS

DIVISION FINALS

Tomorrow's games — All Times Eastern
EAST DIVISION
Rochester at Toronto, 7 p.m.
WEST DIVISION
Edmonton at Minnesota, 9:30 p.m.

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Man City ready to paint the town blue

Manchester City celebrate Yaya Touré's goal last Sunday.
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Soccer. EPL title decider no formality in season full of twists

A Premier League title race that has thrown up so many unexpected turns could produce one final twist Sunday if Queens Park Rangers (QPR) pulls off an upset at title-chasing Manchester City.

The trophy was heading to the blue half of Manchester when City went five points clear of United two months ago.

But City collapsed in the next month, allowing United to wipe out the lead and surge eight points clear of its neighbour.

Then it was United's turn to implode over the following month, putting City ahead of the defending champions on goal difference going into the final round of matches on Sunday.

City can clinch a first English championship since 1968 by beating QPR, with the title being decided on goal difference for the first time since the 1988-89 season if United also wins at Sunderland.

But United is ready to pounce on a City slip-up, knowing it could then extend its championship record to 20 titles.

"I've heard a few things have been said about how we will approach the game and that we think all we have to do is turn up — but that's complete nonsense," City defender Joleon Lescott said. "Every team we play represents a different challenge and we will go out there with the right attitude and manner and try to get the job done."

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By the numbers

$647M

City has spent about $647 million (400 million pounds) on new players since being bought in 2008 by Sheik Mansour, a member of the Abu Dhabi ruling family.

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Blue Jays' Snider lighting it up in triple-A again

MLB. Prospect patiently waiting for another chance in Toronto

Travis Snider has done several interviews over the last few weeks but not all of them have dealt solely with his eye-popping start to the season with the Las Vegas 51s.

The outfielder with the Blue Jays' Triple-A affiliate was also asked about the possibility of a trade to another organization.

It's a subject that has entered his mind at a time when his sizzling start suggests he's a keeper and a potential blue-chip addition to the Jays' major-league roster in the near future.

"It's no secret that guys get traded and things happen," Snider said in an interview with The Canadian Press last week.

"If the day comes where I end up somewhere else, I'll be ready for that step. But at this point in time I'm happy here with the organization."

This isn't the first time Snider has dominated in the Pacific Coast League (PCL). His future with the Jays appears to be tied to his ability to consistently dominate the PCL, and how the team's current left-fielder Eric Thames performs.

"I don't think Travis is concerned about Eric Thames in that his future is tied to what Eric does," Las Vegas manager Marty Brown said in a telephone interview.

"Last year was different, he had a different mind set. It was like, 'Hurry up and I have to do this and that to get back up to the big leagues.' This year he's committed to playing the best he can and to be ready when someone makes the decision that he can return to the major leagues."

Thames won what was billed in spring as a competition with Snider for the job in left. Thames was considered to have a more advanced bat and has performed well so far this season. He will likely be given at least 200 at-bats before any kind of evaluation or decision on his future is made.

The question is what to do with Snider if he continues to mature and blossom offensively. When he's brought up to Toronto, it could be for good, but the possibility of a trade is still there. After all, the Jays swapped front-end starter Shawn Marcum for third basemen Brett Lawrie. But Snider, who is gelling with batting coach Chad Motolla, is well on his way to erasing the knock on him that his success only comes in streaks. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Travis Snider during spring training in March. DAVID COOPER/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Hard to ignore numbers

Travis Snider's first few weeks in the minors have exceeded expectations.

- Through 19 games he posted a line of .400/.477/.693/1.170 (average, OBP, slugging, and OPS), with four home runs, 23 RBIs, 11 walks and 11 strikeouts.

Low risk, high reward?

Blue Jays give Guerrero a shot

The Jays are taking a chance on Vladimir Guerrero, but that's no guarantee the former MVP will ever pull on a Toronto uniform.

That was the message from Jays GM Alex Anthopoulos after signing Guerrero to a minor-league contract on Thursday.

"This isn't someone right now that we're prepared to say is going to be up in Toronto," Anthopoulos said on a conference call. "I have no idea how he's going to look, how he's going to perform, how he's going to play."

The 37-year-old, who will start an extended spring training program in Dunedin, Fla., hit .290 with 13 home runs and 63 RBIs in 145 games with the Baltimore Orioles last season. If Guerrero doesn't crack the Jays, Anthopoulos can walk away from what is a low-risk signing worth a pro-rated $1.3 million US.

"Why not take a shot? See if there's anything there, if there's no downside," Anthopoulos said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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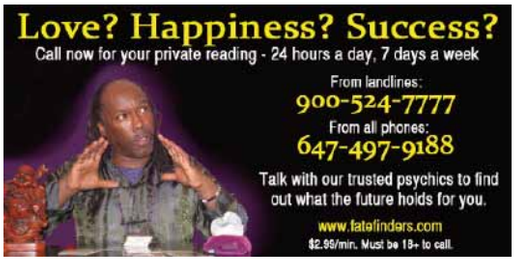
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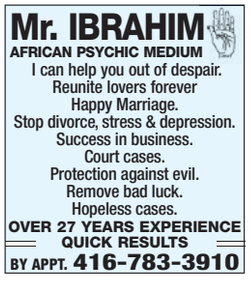

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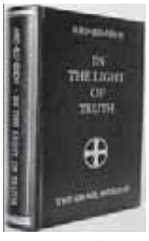

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24 Tunes
28 Engrave
31 Favorable vote
32 Very, in music
34 Pirouette pivot
35 Ties up the phone
37 Rapid decline
39 — -tzu
41 Of a specified type
42 Quantity
45 "Merci"
49 "The Velvet Fog"
51 Nevada city
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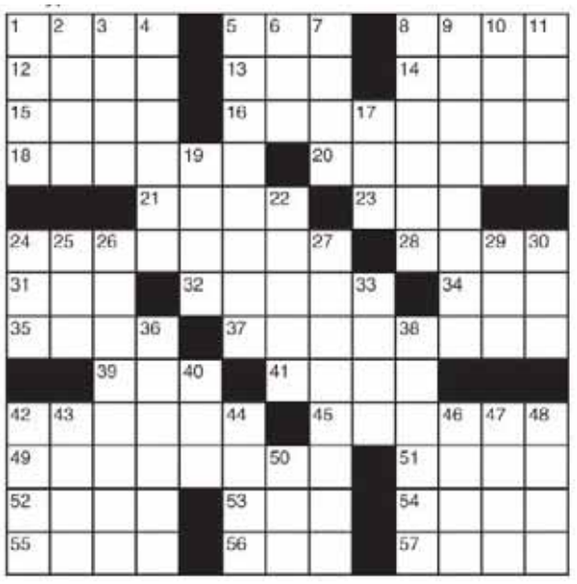

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2	1	5	3	9	8	7	4	6
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